

Governance & Development Committee Meeting

Friday, May 16, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.

*Please sign up for Public Comment by 9:00 a.m.
via the CHAT (on Zoom)*

Comments left in the chat will NOT be acknowledged.

Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk of the Board, pcarver@bpl.org

John Hailer, Committee Chair

BPL OPENING STATEMENT

The Trustees of The Boston Public Library reaffirm our commitment to racial equity and to principles of diversity equity and inclusion, more broadly.

The Library is formally committed to becoming an anti-racist organization in response to systemic racism, inequity, and injustice prevalent in our society.

We acknowledge also that the Boston Public Library's Central Library stands on land that was once a water-based ecosystem providing sustenance for the indigenous Massachusetts people *and is a place which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange among nations*. We are committed to land acknowledgements for all locations at which we operate.

We reaffirm this commitment to set the context for our planning, deliberations, and public engagement so that they take place from the spirit of welcome and respect, found in our motto 'free to all.'

Taken from the Institutional Statement Ratified by the Board of Trustees for the Boston Public Library on September 29, 2020.

COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REPORT

John Hailer, Committee Chair

- Welcome remarks
- Roll Call
- Approval of Meeting Minutes from 3.31.25

NOMINATION AND VOTE FOR THE OFFICERS FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

John Hailer, Committee Chair

- A. Dr. Ray Liu, *Chair*
- B. Evelyn Arana Ortiz, *Vice Chair*
- C. Pamela Carver, *Clerk*

VOTED: “that, the Trustees Governance and Development Committee recommend the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston approve the nomination for the slate of officers for the Board of Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston at the Annual Trustees Meeting on May 20, 2025 for a 1-year term beginning July 1, 2025, including: Dr. Ray Liu as Chair, Evelyn Arana Ortiz as Vice Chair, and Pamela Carver as Clerk.”

Update of Trustees

**BOSTON
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- *Reappointments/Appointments*

New Business

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Public Comment

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- If follow up is required, please send your contact email or phone number to the Clerk of the Board at pcarver@bpl.org
- People will be chosen in the order they were received and allowed 2 minutes to speak.
- The Moderator will unmute your mic when you are called on.
- Comments made in chat during meeting **will not** be acknowledged.



Adjournment