

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON

Meeting of the Trustees Governance and Development Committee
Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.
Held via Zoom Conference

MINUTES

A meeting of the Boston Public Library (“BPL”) Trustees Governance and Development Committee (“Committee”) was held on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 held virtually via Zoom conference call.

All Committee members were present at the meeting: John Hailer, Committee Chair, Cheryl Cronin, Ben Bradley, Linda Dorcena Forry, and David Leonard.

Also present was Robert Gallery, Chair of the Board and Pamela Carver, Clerk of the Board, along with members of the public.

Mr. John Hailer presided and called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m. Roll call was taken and determined that there was a quorum. He addressed the review and approval of the Minutes of the May 14, 2019 committee meeting. With no comments or edits suggested, upon a motion made and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of May 14, 2019 were approved.

Mr. Hailer made a motion for approval of the slate of officers as presented: Robert Gallery, Chair of the Board, Evelyn Arana-Ortiz, Vice Chair of the Board, and Pamela Carver for Clerk of the Board. With no questions and comments, he made a motion that was duly made and seconded, and

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 26, 2020, for a 1-year term including: Robert Gallery, for the nomination of Chair; Evelyn Arana-Ortiz, for the nomination of Vice Chair; and Pamela Carver, for the nomination of Clerk of the Board.”

Mr. Hailer asked if there was any New Business. Mr. Leonard gave a brief update on the BPL Fund. He noted the Executive Director would be resigning from her position for personal matters and they were actively seeking her replacement to continue the great momentum the Fund has made in the past year since its inception. Next, President David Leonard explained the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for The Associates of the BPL, would be formalized in the coming months and presented for approval at a future meeting. The committee discussed some safety concerns they had with returning to service during the pandemic. Mr. Leonard noted he would be outlining the Covid-19 response in more detail at the full Board of Trustees meeting that immediately followed that morning.

Mr. Hailer asked if there was any public comments, for which there was none. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela R. Carver, Clerk of the Board