

**Providence Community Library
Board of Directors Minutes
April 17, 2023
Rochambeau Library**

Welcome and Call to Order:

Board meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Avital Chatto, Vice-President

January 2023 Board Roster:

Tony Aguilar, Avital R. Chatto, André Herrera, Caleb Horton, Sarah Morenon, V. Raffini, Amy Rosa, Pam Vogel, Zachary Weinberger, Lynn Zagoudis-Eastridge, Jordan Day, Roseanne Camacho, Gayle Gifford, Abraham Henderson, Robin Goldberg, Kathleen Stack, Alejandra de Paz, Steven Lightly, Ashley Rivera, Bob Medeiros

Current Board composition = 20 members

Board Member(s) Present:

Avital R. Chatto, Gayle Gifford, Robin Goldberg, Amy Rosa, Pam Vogel, Lynn Zagoudis-Eastridge, Kathleen Stack, André Herrera, Steven Lightly, Sarah Morenon, Jordan Day, Bob Medeiros

Pam Vogel joined at 6:11PM*

12 Members present

Member(s) Absent:

Caleb Horton, V. Raffini, Abraham Henderson, Ashley Rivera, Alejandra de Paz, Zachary Weinberger, Tony Aguilar, Roseanne Camacho

8 Members absent

Minutes:

Update(s) to previous minutes:

No discussion or corrections to previous minutes.

Jordan Day moved to approve the March 20th minutes, Amy Rosa seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously 12-0 with 0 abstentions.

President's Report & Mission Moment:

Guest Speaker(s): None
Affiliation(s): not applicable
Topic: Welcome

Avital Chato welcomed all board members and the meeting continued.

Director's Report:

Cheryl Space gave a substantial update, the highlights are below.

CLPVD staff will be leading four workshops at the upcoming RI Library Association Conference.

Grant News:

CLPVD has received another grant to support the Knight Memorial Entrepreneurship Center from the Papiotto Opportunity Connection.

CLPVD has applied for a Community Impact Grant (2023 - 2026) from United Way of RI. Decisions will be released at the end of May.

CLPVD has applied for three federal appropriations to support a collection refresh, ESL instruction, and makerspace programming

Facility news:

CLPVD has applied for an EPA grant that would fund a new HVAC system at Mt. Pleasant or South Providence (or, if funding allows, both)

CLPVD's new website is launching during National Library Week! For National Library Week, the theme is "There's More to the Story" celebrated from April 23 - April 30, 2023.

Through a partnership with the Healthy Communities & Parks Departments, CLPVD libraries will serve after school meals to youth (up to age 18). This will be starting soon; the city is purchasing new refrigerators for the libraries to store the meals and leftovers.

Development Committee:

Michael gave an update.

401Gives update: over \$20,000 raised.

Raffle baskets at the farmers market were a success.

Congratulations to Sarah Morenon for being the lead donor of the board.

Wanskuck Library raised the most money and had the most individual donors.

Knight Memorial Library centennial in 2024.

Reminder: May Breakfast is on Tuesday, May 2nd at 7:00am at the Marriott. Looking for more attendees.

Finance report:

Jordan Day reviewed the financial report.

Jordan Day moved to accept the financial statement. Pam Vogel seconded. Motion approved unanimously 12-0.

Marketing & Advocacy:

Amy Rosa gave an update.

Governance Report:

Pam Vogel gave an update and discussed several proposed bylaw changes.

Wants to make board member additions and expulsions more flexible. Removed Governor's appointee. Clarified City Council appointees. Proposed changes to the flexibility of monthly meetings.

The Governance Committee will reconvene and continue discussion at the next meeting.

Other Business:

-None-

Public Comment:

-None-

Motion to Adjourn:

Jordan Day moved to adjourn, Pam seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously, 12-0.

Respectfully submitted,

André Herrera
Secretary