

**Community Libraries of Providence
Board of Directors Minutes
November 20, 2023
Rochambeau Library - Regular Meeting**

Welcome and Call to Order:

Board meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Jordan Day, President

October 2023 Board Roster:

Roseanne Camacho, Avital Chatto, Jordan Day, Gayle Gifford, André Herrera, Bob Medieros, Sarah Morenon, Patricia Raub, Ashley Rivera, Michelle Freeman, Kathleen Stack, Pam Vogel, Lynn Zagoudis-Eastridge, Ruth Crane, Marcia Ranglin Vassell, Nirva LaFortune, Krystal Lindberg, Andrea Rojas

Current Board composition = 18 members

Board Member(s) Present:

Roseanne Camacho, Jordan Day, Bob Medieros, Patricia Raub, Kathleen Stack, Pam Vogel, Lynn Zagoudis-Eastridge, Ruth Crane, Marcia Ranglin-Vassell, Krystal Lindberg, Andrea Rojas, Gayle Gifford

12 Members present

Member(s) Absent:

Ashley Rivera, Sarah Morenon, Patricia Raub, Avital Chatto, André Herrera

5 Members absent

Guest(s) Present:

Cheryl Space, John Dooley, Michael Bordonaro, Aimee Fontaine, Judeanne Hamidzada, Stephanie Shea

Minutes:

Update(s) to previous minutes:

No discussion or corrections to previous minutes.

Rosanne Camacho moved to approve the October 16th minutes, Krystle Lindberg seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously 11-0 with 1 abstention.

President's Report & Mission Moment:

Guest Speaker(s): None

Affiliation(s): not applicable

Topic: CLPVD 101

Jordan Day provided a brief presentation talking about the operations of the community libraries and the role of the Board of Directors as part of the broader library system.

*NOTE: Nirva LaFortune joined the meeting at 6:11 PM, bringing total members present to 13.

Directors Report:

Cheryl Space gave a brief update.

Development Report:

Michael Bordonaro provided a brief update.

Finance Report:

John reviewed the October 30, 2023 financial statement.

Nirva LaFortune moved to approve the October 30, 2023 financial statement, Michelle Freeman seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously 13-0.

Gayle Gifford held a brief discussion regarding the Board's comfort level with financial matter, reviewing a finance questionnaire.

Governance Report:

- Vote to appoint at-large Board Member
 - Gonzalo Cuervo

Discussion was had regarding the recommended potential new member and the board recruitment and selection process. Members expressed concern about not receiving information regarding the candidate ahead of time. Pam Vogel moved to postpone the vote to the next board meeting, Andrea Rojas and Marcia Ranglin-Vassel seconded, and the motion was approved 11-1, with 1 abstention.

- Vote to appoint Committee Members recommended by the Governance Committee:
 - *Note: Chairs are elected by the committee
 - **Development Committee:** Nirva LaFortune; Kathleen Stack; Andre Herrera; Avital Chatto; Michael Bordonaro (CLPVD staff); Janice Gerundio
 - **Facilities Committee:** Robert Medeiros; Ruth Crane; Patricia Raub; Lynn Zagoudis-Eastridge (Chair); Jim Barnes; Paul Trudeau; Amy Rosa (CLPVD staff)
 - **Finance Committee:** Andrea Rojas; Jordan Day; Gayle Gifford (Treasurer, Chair); Pam Vogel; Avital Chatto, Everett Gabriel, Reyna Stewart, John Dooley, Sara Huber (CLPVD Staff)
 - **Governance Committee:** Pam Vogel (Chair); Gayle Gifford; Andre Herrera; Jordan Day; Joan Dagle; Michael Bordonaro (CLPVD staff); Cheryl Space (CLPVD staff)
 - **Marketing & Advocacy Committee:** Sarah Morenon (Chair); Marcia Ranglin-Vassell; Michelle Freeman; Patricia Raub; Janet Fuentes (CLPVD staff);

Discussion was had regarding the committee selection process. Krystle Lindberg moved to accept the recommendation of the Governance Committee, Bob Medeiros seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously, 13-0.

Discussion regarding joining coalition to prevent service and funding cuts to RIPTA

Jordan Day brought this coalition's work to the attention of the Board and wanted to re-confirm participation in the coalition to advocate for more RIPTA funding. Emphasized that patrons and staff rely on these services and would be harmed by any service cuts. The Board agreed to continue working as part of the coalition.

Other Reports – Q& A:

- Facilities Committee:
Lynn Zagoudis-Eastridge gave an update. There are several projects in the pipeline. Working on a 9 libraries capital improvement assessment.

Public Comment:

-None-

Other Business:

-None-

Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 (a)(10)- Any discussion of the personal finances of a prospective donor to a library.

Lynn Zagoudis-Eastridge moved to go into executive session, Gayle Gifford seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously 13-0.

Michelle Freeman moved to exit executive session, Marcia Ranglin-Vassel seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously, 13-0.

Krystle Lindberg moved to seal the minutes, Bob Medeiros seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously, 13-0.

Motion to Adjourn:

Lynn Zagoudis-Eastridge moved to adjourn, Kathleen Stack seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously, 13-0 at 7:57 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jordan Day
President