

ROGERS FREE LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PROPOSED MEETING AGENDA FOR
May 16, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Trustees of Rogers Free Library will be held on Thursday, May 16, 2024, at 6:30 PM. It will be held in person at Rogers Free Library, 525 Hope Street Bristol, RI.

AGENDA ITEMS

- CALL TO ORDER/ATTENDANCE/QUORUM
- REVIEW/AMEND/APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
 - Minutes of April 18, 2024 Meeting
- CHAIR REPORT
 - Al Wroblewski
- LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT
 - Eileen Dyer
- FINANCIAL REPORT
 - Eileen Dyer and Natalie San Martin
- COMMUNITY CENTER GRANT UPDATE
 - Eileen Dyer
- STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE
 - Annie Silvia
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
 - Cara Cromwell & Eileen Dyer
 - Legislative Agenda – Discussion and Vote: To formally approve the RFL Library Board of Trustees’ support of the following library-related RI legislation:
 - Library Funding Bill: [H7335](#) [S2589](#) Requires that the state's share to public libraries be fixed at twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount appropriated by the city or town in their budgets for fiscal year 2024, utilizing funds from the general fund or the American Rescue Plan Act.
 - Library Workers Protection Bill: [H7575](#), [S2429](#) Establishes, as an affirmative defense to the crimes of circulating obscene publications or shows and selling or exhibiting obscene publications to minors, the person’s employment status as an employee of a school, museum, or library.
 - Fair Library eBook Pricing Bill: [H7508](#) [S2514](#) Provides for the legal governance of licensed electronic literacy materials. Based on Rhode Island consumer protection, contract law, and contract preemption.

- Freedom to Read Bill: [H7386](#), [S2281](#) Encourages and protects the freedom of public libraries to acquire materials without limitations and prohibits materials being removed from public libraries due to partisan or doctrinal disapproval.

- Al Wroblewski

- Trustee Selection Process – Discussion and Vote

- MEMBER PREROGATIVES

- PUBLIC COMMENT

- NEXT MEETING DATE (also ANNUAL MEETING): June 20, 2024

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