

**East Providence Public Library Board of Trustees**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting: April 3, 2024 at 4:30pm at Weaver Library**

Meeting called to order at: 4:32pm

ROLL CALL

Krystal Amoroso - present

Patti Armstrong - absent

Kathy Dias - present

Betsy Ingraham - present

Chris LaRoux - present

Peg Marcotte (Chair) - present

Paul Silva - present

Also attending:

- Meredith Bonds-Harmon, Library Director
  - Pamela Schwieger, Assistant Director
  - Cheryl Muth, Friends of the East Providence Public Library President
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- Review and approval of March 2024 minutes - Kathy motioned, Betsy seconded, minutes were approved unanimously.
  - Friends' report - delivered by Cheryl Muth and on file with the minutes
    - Our FEPPL are getting older, and won't be able to run the Book Sale forever. They are looking for new, younger members.
    - Ideas were shared to promote FEPPL and try to get more members
  - Foundation's report - delivered by Betsy and on file with the minutes
    - next meeting on June 17, 2024
  - Director's report - report is on file with the minutes.
    - Financial report:
    - Personnel
    - Buildings & grounds, capital projects
    - Grants
  - Guest: Public Service Librarian Michelle Perry spoke about what she does at the library.
  - Assistant Director's report
    - February 2023/2024 usage stats
    - Upcoming programs - Michelle spoke about the upcoming programs (Eclipse party, Summer Block Parties, Summer Camp out)
  - Old Business
    - Privacy Policy, discussion and vote
      - Kathy Dias made a motion to approve the new Privacy Policy, Paul Silva seconded. The new Privacy Policy was approved unanimously.

- New Business
  - Meredith proposed increasing the hourly rate for part time Library Aides from \$15.00 an hour to \$17.00. Statewide libraries offer between \$16.00 - \$18.00/hour. Chris Laroux made a motion to approve the action, Kathy Dias seconded, and the decision was approved unanimously.
- Adjournment: Kathy motioned, and Krystal seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:45pm.