



# FORBES library

NORTHAMPTON'S PUBLIC LIBRARY

## Trustees Agenda Wednesday, April 26, 2023 3:45 PM - Hybrid (Watson Room or online)

Pursuant to Governor Baker's [Emergency Order](#) Modifying the State's Open Meeting Law issued March 12, 2020, this meeting will be held using remote participation. On March 29, 2023, Governor Healy extended this provision until March 31, 2025.

Please follow this link to access the Zoom teleconference:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81710655313?pwd=bEpxcXBVN1FWNDdHaXF1bXlOWlVWdz09>

**Meeting ID: 817 1065 5313**

**Passcode: 351859**

Number to access meeting via phone: 1-646-558-8656

1. Public Comment - There will be a public comment period at the start of the meeting, or people can submit written comments beforehand. Written comments emailed to [director@forbeslibrary.org](mailto:director@forbeslibrary.org) must be received by noon on Thursday to be included for the meeting.
2. Bartholomew Quarterly Report
  - a. Endowment Portfolio Review
3. Secretary's Report
  - a. Report of March 23
4. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Bills and Warrants
  - b. March Report
  - c. Gifts, Donations and Bequests
  - d. Short Term Investments
5. Financial Report
  - a. 3rd Quarter Report
6. Department Report

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None this month

7. Friends of Forbes

8. Administrative Report

- a. Monthly Update
- b. Covid Safety Update

9. Next Meetings

- a. Trustees: Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 4 PM
- b. Friends Meeting: Wednesday, May 3 at 6:30 PM

10. Communications

- a. Letter from Representative Sabadosa

11. Discussion Topic

None this month

12. Action Items

- a. Creation of Performance Stage Fund (Downing)
- b. Endorsement of New Branding (Downing)
- c. Branded Merchandise (Downing)
- d. Jenny Silver Proposal (Downing)
- e. Executive Session
  - i. The Trustees are requested to go into executive session to discuss contract negotiations because negotiations in open session would be detrimental to the library's bargaining position.

13. Informational Items

- a. Increasing Board Size Update (Downing)
- b. Trustee Election (Downing)
- c. Reports from Subcommittees and Other Meetings
  - i. Strategic Planning Committee (Wight)
  - ii. Coolidge Standing Committee (Wight)
  - iii. Development Committee (Carrier)
  - iv. Racial and Social Justice Advisory Group (Prabhaker)
  - v. Barriers to Committee Work (Debin)
- d. Virtual Events Calendar (online only) - <https://bit.ly/2WGkt1v>

e. Press Cuttings

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