

# TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON

## Meeting of the Trustees Governance and Development Committee Monday, May 22, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom

### MINUTES

A meeting of the Boston Public Library (“BPL”) Trustees Governance and Development Committee (“Committee”) was held on Monday, May 22, 2023, held at 4pm virtually via Zoom.

Members present at the meeting: Navjeet Bal, Cheryl Cronin, Christian Westra, and David Leonard. Committee Chair, John Hailer, and Lynn Wooten were absent. The clerk of the Board and members of the public were also present.

Ms. Cheryl Cronin presided and called the meeting to order at 4:01pm. She noted that the Committee Chair, John Hailer, had a family emergency and would not be able to attend. The public was reminded that the meeting was being recorded and for public comment via the chat. Ms. Cronin read the Trustees reaffirmation statement. A roll call was taken and determined that there was a quorum. She addressed the review and approval of the Minutes of the May 13, 2022, meeting. With no comments or edits suggested, a motion was duly made, seconded, and approved via a roll call vote.

Ms. Cronin acknowledged that three trustees’ terms had expired as of May 1, 2023: Linda Dorcena Forry, Jabari Asim, and Ben Bradlee Jr. Mayor Wu had not yet determined any new appointments or reappointments. All three trustees have agreed to continue serving on the Board in a holdover role until any decisions are made. Ms. Cronin encouraged all trustees to send any recommendations to the mayor’s office for consideration. Ms. Forry will not be continuing as a member of the Governance and Development Committee.

Ms. Cronin made a motion for the approval of the Officers of the Board of Trustees as presented: Priscilla H. Douglas, for Chair, Evelyn Arana Ortiz, for Vice Chair, and Pamela Carver for Clerk of the Board. With no questions and comments, a motion was duly made and seconded, and

**VOTED: “That, the Trustees Governance and Development Committee recommend the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston approve the nomination for the Officers for the Board of Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston at the Annual Trustees Meeting on July 1, 2022, for a 1-year term including: Priscilla H. Douglas, for the nomination of Chair; Evelyn Arana Ortiz, for the nomination of Vice Chair; and Pamela Carver, for the nomination of Clerk of the Board.”**

Ms. Cronin asked for New Business and Public Comment, for which there was none.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned 4:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Pamela R. Carver, Clerk of the Board*



**Jonathan S. Lavine**  
**Chair**

Jonathan Lavine is Chair of Bain Capital, a leading global private investment firm with approximately \$185 billion in assets under management, more than 1,750 employees and 25 offices worldwide. He served as Co-Managing Partner of the firm from 2016 – 2024.

Mr. Lavine founded Bain Capital Credit, formerly known as Sankaty Advisors, in 1998. Bain Capital Credit invests across the full spectrum of credit strategies, including leveraged loans, high-yield bonds, distressed debt, private lending, structured products, non-performing loans, equities and insurance solutions. He also created Bain Capital's special situations investment strategy which provides bespoke capital solutions leveraging credit, equity, corporate and real estate expertise. Together, Bain Capital Credit and Bain Capital Special Situations have approximately \$67.5 billion in assets under management, more than 420 employees and offices in Boston, Chicago, Dublin, Guangzhou, Hong Kong, Lisbon, London, Madrid, Melbourne, Mumbai, New York, Seoul, Singapore and Sydney.

Mr. Lavine joined Bain Capital's private equity group in 1993. Prior to joining Bain Capital, he was a consultant at McKinsey & Company. He began his career at Drexel Burnham Lambert in mergers and acquisitions.

Mr. Lavine and his wife, Jeannie, formed and oversee the Crimson Lion Foundation which delivers financial resources to a wide variety of nonprofit organizations focused on leveling the playing field for individuals and families. The foundation works to address pressing social challenges in the areas of education, community and public service, health and welfare, discrimination, and poverty. It supports the multi-disciplinary efforts of organizations that serve to strengthen society through research, innovation, public policy, direct service and advocacy. To that end, Mr. and Mrs. Lavine have supported a diverse array of organizations including City Year (where Mr. Lavine is Chairman Emeritus of the National Board of Trustees), uAspire (where they have dedicated the Lavine Family Center for College Affordability), WBUR/NPR (where they have dedicated the Lavine Broadcasting Center at CitySpace in Boston), LIFT, Cradles to Crayons, the Equal Justice Initiative and many others. In addition, they have provided major support to healthcare institutions including the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston Children's Hospital as well as other medical research organizations. They are longtime supporters of Columbia University, where Mr. Lavine is Chair Emeritus of the Trustees of the University; and Harvard University, where they endowed the Lavine Family Humanitarian Studies Initiative at the Harvard School of Public Health and provided substantial support to fund scholarships for first-generation students at Harvard Business School.

Mr. Lavine is the 2017 recipient of Columbia University's Alexander Hamilton Medal, the highest honor awarded to a member of the college community for distinguished service. He is a past recipient of Columbia's John Jay Award for professional achievement, Columbia's David Truman Award for outstanding contribution to academic affairs, the Dean's Leadership Award for the Class of 1988 25<sup>th</sup> Reunion, Columbia/Barnard Hillel's Seixas Award, Opportunity Nation's American Dream Award, Voices for National Service Citizen Service Award and of the New England Anti-Defamation League's Distinguished Community Service Award. He is the first recipient of the London School of Economics Alternative Investments Conference's "Distinguished Speaker Honour." Mr. Lavine was appointed a Member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Council by President Obama and reappointed by President Biden. He is also a member of the investor group and a director of the Boston Celtics.

Mr. Lavine graduated from Columbia College, Phi Beta Kappa and Magna Cum Laude, and holds an M.B.A with Distinction from Harvard Business School. He received an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Columbia University in 2023.