

Groton Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 20, 2022, at 6:45 pm, Library Historical Room
Approved, 11/8/2022

Attending in Person: Trustees Kate Bettencourt, Mark Gerath, Kristen von Campe, Nancy Wilder, David Zeiler, and Library Director Vanessa Abraham.

Call to Order:

Mark Gerath, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:57 pm.

Vote Summary

- Kristen moved, Dave seconded, to recommend Helena Fruscio Altsman to the Select Board on Nov. 14, 2022, for appointment to fill the open seat until the spring election, and the vote was unanimous.

Action Items

- Mark will call our candidate
- Kate will notify our other candidates
- Mark will let Mark Haddad and the Select Board know the Trustees' decision

New Business

Trustee Vacancy Candidate Interviews

The Trustees interviewed four of seven candidates as potential Trustees to fill the vacancy left by the passing of long-time Trustee Jane Allen in August. Three candidates were interviewed last night.

A very sincere thank you to Helena Fruscio Altsman, Jean-Marc Appolon, Kate Ferriola, and Jennifer Petersen for their interest in serving on the GPL Board of Trustees. They all brought a wealth of experiences to the table, each unique and full of possible value to the GPL Trustees. Each candidate was asked the same stock questions as well as additional questions resulting from their answers of those questions and/or their letters of interest.

After a lengthy discussion, the Trustees agreed to nominate Helena Fruscio Altsman to fill the empty Trustee seat. The Trustees will present Helena to the Select Board on November 14, 2022, for joint meeting appointment.

Unfinished Business

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Other Business

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Adjournment at 9:15 pm – see vote summary.