



# News *for* Trustees

## Join the Trustees' discussion list

*Help make a difference for your library system today!*

**TRUSTEES-L** is a new discussion list for public library board members that is administered by Georgia Public Library Service (GPLS). The primary purposes of this list are:

- to facilitate discussion among members of Georgia's public library boards of trustees and
- to promote the sharing of ideas and best practices.



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general ideas and information about best practices with trustees via TRUSTEES-L. Postings might include information such as news about another state's trustee institute, how to conduct a library board self-assessment, a list of the best ways to advocate for your library, the addresses of potentially useful Web

sites or news about other resources that could be helpful to nonprofit boards (such as [www.boardcafe.org](http://www.boardcafe.org)).

Trustees are required to actively "opt in" by requesting to subscribe. Subscription forms are located on the GPLS Web site at [www.georgialibraries.org](http://www.georgialibraries.org).

**Just visit the site, click on the "Resources for Trustees" button and follow the links to the form.**

Each registrant will be asked to provide name, e-mail address and library affiliation to help verify eligibility. The list is and will continue to be restricted to those Georgia public library trustees who are currently serving on library boards, public library directors and GPLS management staff.

Directors and GPLS staff may occasionally share

We might also let you know about the availability of new trustee-related books as they are added to the GPLS/State Library collection. Additional information about the list will be included in forthcoming updates to *Tools for Trustees: The Georgia Public Library Trustee Manual*.

TRUSTEES-L **may not** be used to conduct a "virtual" meeting of a board, because this would be in violation of the open meetings law of Georgia. Trustees should also take care to ensure that the list is not used by a quorum of any board to discuss issues specific to the library system they represent.

Apart from these requirements, the list will be whatever you and your peers make it, and your participation can only make TRUSTEES-L **better**. Please join today! ■