

# Illinois Library Association Advocacy Committee

Monday, March 1 at 1:00pm

Virtual Meeting

## AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Introduction of Guests
3. Approval of Agenda: March 1, 2021
4. Approval of Minutes: February 1, 2021
5. Reports
  - a. ILA Executive Director, Diane Foote
  - b. ILA President, Veronica DeFazio
  - c. ILA Legislative Consultant, Derek Blaida
  - d. ILA Public Policy Chair, Daniel Matthews
6. Around the Table & Across the State
7. Legislative meetups update – Diane
  - a. Central Illinois local coordinating team [resource](#) review
8. Reaching Forward program update – Keith
9. ILA Conference Submittals update
10. Adjournment

## Advocacy Committee's Charge

Supports the targeted advocacy efforts set forth by the American Library Association and the Illinois Library Association. Strives to unite ILA members behind advocacy efforts set forth by the ILA Executive Board.

Works in tandem with the Public Policy Committee (PPC) to implement an annual legislative agenda. Provides ILA members with the tools to make local, statewide and national advocacy an integral part of their professional life. Develops a long-range advocacy plan in conjunction with PPC and the Executive Board. Within this broad framework, collaborates with the ILA President and ILA Executive Director to set an annual calendar of advocacy activities and to create communications, materials, and training in support of these activities.

**Voting Members Present:**

Betsy Adamowski  
Wheaton Public Library

Nanette Donohue  
Champaign Public Library

Keith Fiels  
Retired/ALA

Matthew Fruth  
Oak Park Public Library Board

Gail Graziani  
Lisle Library District

Qiana Johnson  
Northwestern University

Amanda McKay  
Effingham Public Library

Val Neylon  
City Colleges of Chicago

Magan Szwarek\*  
Schaumburg Twp District Library

Alex Todd\*  
Prospect Heights Public Library

Jeffrey Wheeler  
U of I Chicago

Amanda Zagloba  
Chicago Public Library

**Ex-Officio Members Present:**

Veronica DeFazio  
ILA President

Diane Foote  
ILA

Jeanne Hamilton  
ILA VP/President Elect

Marielle McNeal  
ILA Board Liaison

Daniel Matthews  
ILA PPC Chair

Greg McCormick  
Illinois State Library

**Guests:** \_\_\_\_\_