

Illinois Library Association Advocacy Committee
Monday, August 28, 2023, 1:00 - 3:00
Recurring Online Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88517260623>

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda: August 28, 2023
3. Approval of Minutes: [June 19, 2023](#)
4. Subcommittee Formation:
 - a. Ready, Set, Advocate Training Modules
 - b. Legislative Meet-ups
 - c. Other Advocacy Tools / Webpage Update
 - d. Conference Programs and Ongoing Advocacy Training
 - e. ILA Reporter Article / Other?
5. Discussion of holding subcommittee breakout sessions following meetings (Sam / Cyndi)
6. Legislative Meet-Up Survey Results and Discussion (Cyndi)
7. Adjournment

Committee 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; and
- 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:

Gail Graziani* - Indian Prairie Public Library
Amanda McKay* - Effingham Public Library
Betsy Adamowski – Wheaton Public Library
Sam Adams-Lanham - Barrington Area Library
Joanna Bertucci – Park Ridge Public Library
Victoria Blackmer - Robert R. Jones Public Library
Dennis Danowski - Macomb Public Library

Monica Dombrowski – Winnetka-Northfield Public Library District
Nanette Donohue - Champaign Public Library
Chris Houchens - Charleston Carnegie Public Library
Laura Kirk - Green Hills Public Library District
Tim Prendergast – Hodgkins Public Library District

Ex officio Members:

Amy Byers – Chatham Area Public Library District
Ryan Johnson - ILA VP/President-Elect, O’Fallon Public Library
Heather Jagman - ILA President, DePaul University Library
Kyla Waltermire - ILA PPC Chair, Mississippi Valley Library District
Greg McCormick - Illinois State Library
Cyndi Robinson – ILA Executive Director
Alex Todd – Board Liaison, Prospect Heights Public Library District

Guests:

Upcoming meeting dates and assigned minutes takers:

August 28, 2023 - Chris Houchens
October 2, 2023 – Sam Adams-Lanham
November 6, 2023 – Tim Prendergast
December 4, 2023 - Monica Dombrowski
January 8, 2024 - Victoria Blackmer
February 5, 2024 - Laura Kirk
March 4, 2024 – Betsy Adamowski
April 1, 2024 - Dennis Danowski
May 6, 2024 – Joanna Bertucci
June 3, 2024 – Gail Graziani

All meetings are at 1:00 PM. In-person meeting locations will rotate; all meetings will also be accessible through Zoom. If you cannot take minutes on your assigned date, please trade with another Advocacy Committee voting member.