

Illinois Library Association Advocacy Committee
Monday, March 7, 2022
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

ILA committee meetings are open to ILA members as guests/observers. If you wish to attend this meeting as a guest, please contact ILA Executive Director Diane Foote at dfoote@ila.org.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda: March 7, 2022
3. Approval of Minutes: [February 7, 2022](#)
4. Legislative agenda (PPC)
5. Legislative Meet-ups Recap
6. Conference program proposals (Betsy)
 - a. Reaching Forward
 - b. ILA Annual
7. Bigger Than A Building Revamp Update
8. 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.

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[Interactive Legislative Map](#)

[Palm card](#)

[Legislative Meet-ups](#)

[How to Prepare for a Meet-up](#)

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Voting Members:

Nanette Donohue* - Champaign Public Library
Magan Szwarek* - Schaumburg Township District Library
Joanna Bertucci - Park Ridge Public Library
Keith Fiels - Retired/ALA
Matthew Fruth - Oak Park Public Library
Gail Graziani - Lisle Library District
Kate Hall - Northbrook Public Library
Chris Houchens - Charleston Carnegie Public Library
Qiana Johnson - Northwestern University Libraries
Amanda McKay - Effingham Public Library
Valerie Neylon - City Colleges of Chicago
Jeffrey Wheeler - U of I Chicago

Ex officio Members:

Sam Adams-Lanham - ILA PPC Chair, Barrington Public Library
Diane Foote - ILA
Jeanne Hamilton - ILA President, Bloomington Public Library
Heather Jagman - ILA VP/President-Elect, DePaul University
Greg McCormick - Illinois State Library
Carmen Patlan - ILA Board Liaison, Highwood Public Library

Upcoming meeting dates and assigned minutes takers:

August 30, 2021 - Joanna Bertucci
October 4, 2021 - Keith Fiels
November 1, 2021 - Gail Graziani
December 6, 2021 - Matthew Fruth
January 10, 2022 - Amanda McKay
February 7, 2022 - Chris Houchens
March 7, 2022 - Qiana Johnson
April 4, 2022 - Kate Hall
May 2, 2022 - Valerie Neylon
June 6, 2022 - Jeffrey Wheeler

All meetings are at 10 AM. 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.