**Illinois Library Association Advocacy Committee  
Monday, August 29, 2022  
Online Meeting:** [**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82414705162**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82414705162)

Meeting ID: 824 1470 5162 Phone: +1 312 626 6799

**MINUTES**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee members present: Nanette Donohue, Gail Graziani, Sam Adams-Lanham, Dennis Danowski, Chris Houchens, Laura Kirk, Amanda McKay, Sara Murray.

Committee members absent: Victoria Blackmer, Qiana Johnson

Ex Officio members present: Ryan Livergood, Diane Foote, Heather Jagman, Ryan Johnson, Alex Todd

Ex Officio members absent: Greg McCormick

Guests in attendance: Derek Blaida, Monica Harris, Thomas Stagg

1. Approval of Agenda: August 29, 2022

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

1. Approval of [Minutes](https://docs.google.com/document/d/19Uw3ZwMTax708WZWRZ4q8Cc5zTmbM0tiQ8L1dHWq_EI/edit): July 20, 2022

The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

1. Advocacy Calendar – Update

No update at this time.

1. Results of Interest Poll
   1. Subcommittees

Only four responses to the poll. More responses are needed before further discussion.

1. Project Updates

Keith Fiels and Betsy Adamowski are planning a two-part presentation of Ready, Set, Advocate for ILA Annual.

Derek Blaida – Springfield will be quiet until after the election.

PPC committee will meet later in the day and will discuss the legislative agenda.

1. Secretary of State candidate questionnaire

The questionnaire was reviewed and was positively received. It is expected to go out to candidates shortly.

1. Noon Network update
2. Adjournment

at 10:19AM

**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:**Nanette Donohue\* - Champaign Public Library  
Gail Graziani\* - Indian Prairie Public Library  
Sam Adams-Lanham - Barrington Area Library  
Victoria Blackmer - Robert R. Jones Public Library

Dennis Danowski - Macomb Public Library  
Chris Houchens - Charleston Carnegie Public Library  
Qiana Johnson - Northwestern University Libraries  
Laura Kirk - Green Hills Public Library District  
Amanda McKay - Effingham Public Library  
Sara Murray - Algonquin Area Public Library District

**Ex officio Members:**  
Ryan Livergood - ILA PPC Chair, Warren-Newport Public Library District  
Diane Foote/Cyndi Robinson - ILA  
Heather Jagman - ILA President, DePaul University Library  
Ryan Johnson - ILA VP/President-Elect, O’Fallon Public Library   
Greg McCormick - Illinois State Library  
TBA - ILA Board Liason, TBA

**Guests:  
  
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**Upcoming meeting dates and assigned minutes takers:**

August 29, 2022 - Chris Houchens  
October 3, 2022 - Qiana Johnson  
November 7, 2022 - Amanda McKay  
December 5, 2022 - Sam Adams-Lanham  
January 9, 2023 - Victoria Blackmer  
February 6, 2023 - Laura Kirk  
March 6, 2023 - Sara Murray  
April 3, 2023 - Dennis Danowski  
May 1, 2023 - TBA  
June 5, 2023 - TBA

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.