

# Illinois Library Association Advocacy Committee

Monday, April 6, 2020 at 1:00pm  
Reaching Across Illinois Library System – Burr Ridge  
125 Tower Drive, Burr Ridge, IL 60527

## AGENDA

**RAILS Burr Ridge Conference Room B / Videoconference Room (In Person)**

**RAILS East Peoria Atrium (Videoconference)**

**Zoom (Telephone & online)**

**Illinois Library Association / Videoconference (Videoconference)**

**IHLS - Edwardsville (Videoconference)**

**IHLS - Carbondale (Videoconference)**

**IHLS - Champaign (Videoconference)**

**Vernon Area Public Library District - Annex (Videoconference)**

**Illinois State Library (ISL) Main Videoconference Room (Videoconference)**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

**<https://railslibraries.zoom.us/j/240657368>**

**Dial by your location**

**1 929 205 6099 or 1 669 900 6833**

**Meeting ID: 240 657 368**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Introduction of Guests
3. Approval of Agenda: April 6, 2020
4. Approval of Minutes: March 2, 2020
5. Reports
  - a. ILA Executive Director, Diane Foote
  - b. ILA President, Molly Beestrup
  - c. ILA Legislative Consultant, Derek Blaida
  - d. ILA Public Policy Chair, Dennis Danowski
6. Around the Table & Across the State
7. Presentations and E-opportunities
  - a. Reaching Forward (Fridays?)
  - b. Rails Lunch
  - c. IHLS
8. Advocacy Annual Calendar –Jeffrey
9. ILA 2020 Conference Proposals
10. Committee Composition
11. Advocacy and COVID-19 – what can/should we be doing?
12. 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	___	Jim Deiters Oak Lawn	—	Nanette Donohue Champaign
_ Keith Michael Fiels ALA (retired)	___	Matthew Fruth Oak Park	—	Qiana Johnson Northwestern
_ Val Neylon City Colleges of Chicago	___	Michelle Nielsen Ott Methodist College of UnityPoint Health	—	Magan Szwarek Schaumburg
_ Alex Todd Prospect Heights	___	Jeffrey Wheeler UIC	—	Amanda Zagloba Chicago

### Ex-Officio Members Present:

_ Molly Beestrum Northwestern	___	Dennis Danowski Macomb Public Library	_____	Diane Foote ILA
_ Veronica DeFazio Plainfield	___	Kate Kite Six Mile Regional	_____	Greg McCormick State Library

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