ILA Forum and Committee Reports

This form is to be completed by committee chairs/forum managers in collaboration with board liaisons. The ILA Executive Board will have meetings on the following dates in 2022-23: 9/22/22, 11/17/22, 1/12/23 (mid-year “mini meeting;” no report necessary unless you are requesting board action), 3/9/23, 5/25/23. Reports should be submitted two weeks before each board meeting to the board liaison, the ILA staff liaison, and emailed to ila@ila.org.

Forum or Committee: Advocacy Committee

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Activities underway or completed since the last report:

We are currently planning our committee year. Our first two meetings have focused on orienting our new members to the committee’s activities and schedule and setting our goals and priorities for the year.

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

The committee is presenting two programs at the ILA Annual Conference— a double session Ready Set Advocate training and the annual Legislative Panel. We will begin early planning for the Legislative Meetups soon, and we will be working on revamping the Bigger than a Building campaign. The committee has some great ideas for Noon Network webinars that we’re hoping to implement, and we’ll be submitting proposals for the various statewide conferences in order to meet our goal of widely accessible advocacy training for all Illinois library workers.

Questions or concerns that need to be addressed by the ILA Board: