



Illinois Library Association

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: Intellectual Freedom Committee

Report completed by: Matt Matkowski

Date: 9-6-22

Activities underway or completed since the last report:

Held initial meeting and instructed members to brainstorm how the committee and ILA can best serve Illinois libraries.

Committee member Betsy Mahoney and chair Matt Matkowski presented on First Amendment Audits and Book Challenges at Director's University 2.0 on August 2, 2022. This presentation is also in talks to become a Noon Network.

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

Additional meetings with discussion on ideas for articles, panels, Noon Networks, committee website updates (turning it into a one-stop-shop for information on how to deal with intellectual freedom issues), and more ("Hide the Pride" action network, etc).

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

None at this time.