



## 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 2021-22: 9/23/21, 11/18/21, 1/13/2022 (mid-year "mini meeting;" no report necessary unless you are requesting board action), 3/17/22, 5/19/22). Reports should be submitted two weeks before each board meeting to the board liaison and the ILA office, 33 W. Grand Ave., Ste. 401, Chicago, IL 60654-6799; fax: 312-644-1899; email: [ila@ila.org](mailto:ila@ila.org).

Forum or Committee: iREAD

Report completed by: Becca Boland

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Activities underway or completed since the last report:

iREAD met via Zoom on April 15, 2022.

Rob Bagsted reported that 2022 products are selling wonderfully, and the warehouse is doing a great job picking, packing, and filling orders. It's a VERY good year, sales-wise.

The iREAD 2022 Facebook group is starting to show more and more activity.

The state library of California announced the State Park partnership. Exciting due to Read Beyond the Beaten Path! CA State conference coming up.

The iREAD booth at PLA 2022 was staffed by Cyndi Robinson, Tina Koleva, Rob Bagsted, Jill Donovan, Donna Block and Becca Boland and was a success! People were thrilled with the 2023 tee-shirt and we sold more of them than we usually do the first day. We saw many of our West Coast librarian partners - California, Washington, Oregon as well as folks from the DoD and some of our new East Coast partners. Overall, we heard nothing but enthusiasm for iREAD and the forthcoming themes.

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

The resource guide for 2023 is currently being reviewed and should be wrapped up soon. Articles are being finalized as part of that process.

Becca Boland and Donna Block will be representing iREAD at Reaching Forward.

Diane Foote, Cyndi Robinson, Becca Boland, and Donna Block will be attending ALA on behalf of iREAD.

Jill Donovan and Rob Bagsted will attend the California Library Association Conference on behalf of iREAD.

Plans are underway for ILA in October. Angela Dominguez is the YS Forum Breakfast Author for ILA 2022

Gretchen Schulz is working on new folks for committee appointments starting in July.

The committee is starting to consider iREAD focused presentations for the ILA Noon Network and aiming to present those in January 2023 (around the time when folks start planning for Summer Reading).

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

None