

The International Literacy Association (ILA) Board of Directors met virtually via Zoom on May 24, 2023.

1. Quorum met; meeting called to order by Board President Kenneth Kunz at 2:22 p.m. ET

2. Present:

President, Kenneth Kunz  
Vice President, Kia Brown-Dudley  
Immediate Past President, Robert J. Tierney

Members-at-Large:  
Sue Corbin, Danielle V. Dennis, Carol Jago, Molly Ness, J. Helen Perkins, Dana A. Robertson, Rebecca D. Silverman

Ex-Officio Member:  
Executive Director, Nicola Wedderburn

Staff:  
Debbie Harris, Anette Schuetz

Absent:  
Annette Kiberu, Jeanette Toomer

3. Order of Business

- K. Kunz, welcome, attendance, executive leadership report highlights
- K. Kunz expressed gratitude to the Board for engaging in the 1:00–2:22 p.m. work session prior to the start of the Board meeting.
- K. Kunz reported that the May 19 in-person Advancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Through Literacy event at Delaware State University was successful. ILA is evaluating the model with the hope of using the same model for future events. Data from attendee feedback will impact this decision as well.
- Board Committee Reports
  - Finance Committee:  
K. Kunz reported that the finance committee analyzed and discussed fiscal year 23–24 budget revisions and presented its recommendation to the Board during the prior work session.  
MOTION TO APPROVE FY23–24 BUDGET: K. Kunz; SECONDED: K. Brown-Dudley; MOTION PASSED WITH 9 APPROVALS AND 1 OPPOSED (C. Jago)
  - Governance Committee:  
Updates via email.
  - Nominating Committee:  
K. Kunz announced J. Helen Perkins as the elected Vice President of the Board of Directors for fiscal year 23–24 in addition to three new Board members-at-large: Young-Suk Kim, Zoi Traga Philippakos, and James Darin Pope.

- Research Committee:  
Updates via email.
- Anti-Racism, Social Justice, and Equity Committee:  
K. Brown-Dudley reported that the committee met on May 11 and created a DEIB commitment statement that was presented at the Delaware State University event. The next committee meeting takes place June 8.
- Program Committee:  
Updates via email.
- Global Committee:  
Updates via email.
- Publications Committee:  
Updates via email.
- Commission on ILA National Recognition:  
Updates via email.
- Fundraising & Giving Committee:  
Updates via email.
- Membership Committee:  
Updates via email.
- Awards and Grants Committee:  
R. Tierney  
In accordance with the recommendation provided by the ILA Awards and Grants Committee, the ILA Board of Directors agrees to move forward with the recommendations for the administration of the awards by ILA. This includes a funding model that takes into consideration administrative costs, any obligations that might be known to be in place, awards that should be maintained and those that should be retired, including whether funding for any unrestricted awards or grants should be liquidated, retired, paused, or reactivated.  
MOTIONED: R. Tierney; SECONDED: S. Corbin;  
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
- Literacy Curriculum, Instruction, & Book Access Committee:  
Updates via email.
- ILA Administrator Task Force:  
K. Kunz reported that the final administrator task force meeting of the fiscal year is taking place May 24 at 3 p.m.

4. Other Business  
None

5. MOTION TO ADJOURN: K. Kunz; SECONDED: K. Brown-Dudley;  
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Board meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m. ET

6. Next Board meeting: Wednesday, June 21, 2023, 1:00 p.m. ET via Zoom