

The International Literacy Association (ILA) Board of Directors met virtually via Zoom on January 18, 2023.

1. Quorum met; meeting called to order by Board President Kenneth Kunz at 1:03 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:

Interim Executive Director, Nicola Wedderburn

Staff:

Debbie Harris, Anette Schuetz

Absent:

Annette M. Kiberu, Jeanette Toomer

3. Order of Business

- K. Kunz, welcome, attendance, executive leadership report highlights
- Board Committee Reports
 - Finance Committee:
K. Kunz advised that the committee reviewed 4th quarter 2022 financials during the January meeting and requested a three-year P&L projection.
D. Harris presented highlights of financial statements, including budget tracking for journal revenue, renewals, and meetings and events.
 - Governance Committee:
K. Brown-Dudley reported no updates at this time. The committee continues to investigate Board training options.
 - Nominating Committee:
K. Kunz reported that the committee is reviewing applications received for vice president of the Board and Board members-at-large for fiscal year 2023–24. The committee also continues to review its charges.
 - Research Committee:
D. Robertson reported that the Dyslexia Task Force is moving forward, cochairs were selected, and the first task force meeting will take place in early February 2023. Dana further reported that the committee is finalizing edits to the Subject Matter Experts application and ILA's official definition of SOR.

- Anti-Racism, Social Justice, and Equity Committee:
K. Brown-Dudley reported that the committee will meet soon to discuss reconvening the equity audit. D. Dennis shared the release of the Manhattan Institute Policy Guide.
- Program Committee:
M. Ness reported on attendance at recent ILA webinars as well as plans for upcoming digital events, including a potential in-person event. She also explained the committee's goal of focusing on recruiting speakers who are rising stars and who offer a global perspective.
- Global Committee:
K. Kunz and N. Wedderburn reported on proceeds from the January committee meeting. Funding to the Africa region project was distributed in December and funding for other region projects will be distributed soon. The committee is exploring a meeting with USBBY. N. Wedderburn mentioned the tie-in of the recently released 30 Under 30 list with global engagement and an uptick in global press/media coverage.
- Publications Committee:
D. Dennis reported on the committee's search for a new editorial team for *The Reading Teacher* journal. The editorial search committee is looking for more members and to increase its diversity, ideally including a classroom teacher.
- Commission on ILA National Recognition:
The committee will meet February 9 to review two Spring 2023 applications for National Recognition, with a third potentially underway.
- Fundraising & Giving Committee:
K. Brown-Dudley presented results of the 2022 Giving Tuesday fundraising campaign. Suggestions/ideas for future campaigns may be submitted to K. Brown-Dudley or the committee.
- Membership Committee:
N. Wedderburn reported current membership counts and K. Kunz encouraged Board members to use branded ILA presentations and other promotional assets for ILA-related speaking engagements.
- Awards and Grants Committee:
R. Tierney reported that the committee is in the process of reviewing each ILA award and grant to determine future strategy. The next committee meeting is scheduled for February 1 and the committee will report their findings at the May or June 2023 Board meeting.
- Literacy Curriculum, Instruction, & Book Access Committee:
C. Jago reported on the committee's review of the Children's Rights to Read initiative and decided not to update the language at this time. Considering recent news, the committee's focus is on Right #6 (creating a supportive reading environment) and how ILA can support these efforts. Multifaceted members-only content appears to be a valued ILA resource in that regard.

- ILA Administrator Task Force:
K. Kunz advised that the next committee meeting is scheduled for February 8. Promoting ILA awareness and feedback on the COVID-19 ILA Resource Collection will be agenda items for discussion.

4. Other Business
None

5. MOTION TO ADJOURN: C. Jago; SECONDED: D. Robertson;
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Board meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m. ET

Work Session commenced at 2:14 p.m. ET

Work Session adjourned at 2:37 p.m. ET

6. Next Board meeting: Wednesday, February 22, 2023, 1:00 p.m. ET via Zoom.