

Board of Directors MEETING MINUTES

The International Literacy Association (ILA) Board of Directors met virtually via Zoom on October 19, 2022.

- 1. Quorum met; meeting called to order by Board President Kenneth Kunz at 1:02 p.m. ET
- 2. Present:

President, Kenneth Kunz Vice President, Kia Brown-Dudley

Members-at-Large: Sue Corbin, Carol Jago, Annette M. Kiberu, J. Helen Perkins, Dana Robertson, Rebecca Silverman

Ex-Officio Member: Interim Executive Director, Nicola Wedderburn

Staff: Debbie Harris, Anette Schuetz

Absent: Immediate Past President, Robert J. Tierney Danielle V. Dennis, Molly Ness, Jeanette Toomer

- 3. Order of Business
 - 1) K. Kunz, welcome, attendance, executive leadership report highlights
 - Board Committee Reports
 - Finance Committee:
 D. Harris reported on investment performance, cash flows, profit and loss statements, and tracking of operating funds against budget.
 - Awards and Grants Committee:
 N. Wedderburn reported that changes to the Awards and Grants program will be implemented during FY 2023–24.
 - Literacy Curriculum, Instruction, & Book Access Committee:
 C. Jago advised of the upcoming committee meeting on October 21. Discussion topics include how ILA resources may help teachers address the issue of book banning.
 - Research Committee:

D. Robertson submitted proposals for formation of a new task force and a new program.

RESOLVED: ILA Board of Directors motions to convene formation of a Dyslexia Task Force for FY 2023–24.

MOTIONED: K. Kunz; SECONDED: C. Jago; PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

RESOLVED: ILA Board of Directors motions to convene formation of a Subject Matter Expert program for FY 2023–24. MOTIONED: K. Kunz; SECONDED: S. Corbin; PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

• ILA Administrator Task Force:

K. Kunz reported on the first task force meeting that took place on September 28. The next meeting is scheduled for November 16. K. Brown-Dudley pointed out the connection between opportunities for member involvement and ILA's strategic plan.

• Governance Committee:

K. Brown-Dudley reported that various Board training options are under consideration. Specific requests should be addressed to K. Brown-Dudley.

- Nominating Committee: N. Wedderburn reported that nominations for the FY 2023–24 board election opened on October 18.
- Anti-Racism, Social Justice, and Equity Committee:
 K. Brown-Dudley provided updates from the October 10 meeting on the status of the equity audit and the anticipated completion date of November 16.
- Program Committee:
 M. Ness (absent). The next committee meeting will be held October 27.
- Global Committee:

K. Kunz reported on the committee's efforts to ensure global affiliates have access to project funding. N. Wedderburn explained that global project submissions were received and reviewed with some approvals already issued while others require follow-up. A. Kiberu informed that next year's Pan African Literacy Conference will take place in Kenya.

- Publications Committee:
 D. Dennis (absent) tabled.
- Commission on ILA National Recognition:

H. Perkins shared that the first HBCU institution, Grambling State University, was awarded ILA National Recognition With Distinction for its Reading/Literacy Specialist Program. H. Perkins advised of the upcoming National Recognition webinar on November 2. The goal of the webinar is to attract applicants as well as reviewers. H. Perkins further reported that discussions are underway about future work on ILA Standards.

- Fundraising & Giving Committee:
 K. Brown-Dudley shared ILA's 2022 Giving Tuesday plan for November 29. The campaign has 100% Board participation and encourages giving in multiple ways (volunteering in addition to donating). A new donation platform is currently in development and processes will be in place by the next Board meeting.
- Membership Committee:

C. Jago reported that the next committee meeting will take place later this week.

4. Other Business None

- 5. Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m. ET
- 6. Next Board meeting: Wednesday, November 16, 2022, 1:00 p.m. ET via Zoom.