

The International Literacy Association (ILA) Board of Directors met virtually via Zoom on June 21, 2023.

1. Quorum met; meeting called to order by Board President Kenneth Kunz at 1:04 p.m. ET.

2. Present:

President, Kenneth Kunz

Vice President, Kia Brown-Dudley

Members-at-Large:

Sue Corbin, Danielle V. Dennis, Carol Jago, Molly Ness, Dana A. Robertson

Ex-Officio Member:

Executive Director, Nicola Wedderburn

Staff:

Debbie Harris

Absent:

Annette Kiberu, J. Helen Perkins, Robert J. Tierney, Jeanette Toomer

3. Order of Business

- K. Kunz, welcome, attendance, executive leadership report highlights
- N. Wedderburn advised that incoming Board member orientation is scheduled for July 14, 2023, 1–3 p.m. ET via Zoom.
- Board Committee Reports
  - Finance Committee:  
D. Harris reviewed the status of 5-31-23 financial statements.
  - Governance Committee:  
No updates. N. Wedderburn added that Board handbook updates will be forthcoming.
  - Nominating Committee:  
No updates other than the incoming Board member orientation.
  - Research Committee:  
D. Robertson reported that the dyslexia task force continues to work on future thought leadership approaches. The committee is cataloging ILA assets that will become a database for the subject matter experts group to review.
  - Anti-Racism, Social Justice, and Equity Committee:  
K. Brown-Dudley reported that the committee met on 6-8-23 and drafted initial plans for fiscal year 23–24. She thanked all committee members for their dedication.

- Program Committee:  
M. Ness reported that the committee is working on free member webinars for early summer and early fall.
- Global Committee:  
N. Wedderburn reported that the 22–23 fiscal year closed with 6 out of 7 end-of-year project reports from global affiliates. The project funding phase for fiscal year 23–24 will begin shortly. Four new affiliates from Africa (Liberia, Ghana, and two from Sierra Leone) joined ILA. ILA anticipates another new affiliate from Latin America to join. Global project updates will be showcased in *Literacy Today* and the ILA website.
- Publications Committee:  
D. Dennis reported that the new *Reading Teacher* editorial team is in place and working on the transition.
- Commission on ILA National Recognition:  
No updates.
- Fundraising & Giving Committee:  
No updates. K. Brown-Dudley mentioned that a summary of the committee's work will be available to fiscal year 23–24 committee members.
- Membership Committee:  
C. Jago reported on the status of ILA membership. N. Wedderburn added that membership is increasing due to renewed efforts (print renewals, technology fixes, and test campaigns) and that member and nonmember survey results will be available soon.
- Awards and Grants Committee:  
No updates.
- Literacy Curriculum, Instruction, & Book Access Committee:  
C. Jago reported that the committee discussed the effect of the SOR momentum and the importance of member involvement and perspectives in committee work. ILA replies to requests for official statements in response to current events as appropriate.
- ILA Administrator Task Force:  
K. Kunz reported that a new chair will lead the task force in fiscal year 23–24. K. Brown-Dudley added that many current task force members expressed an interest in continuing to serve and take active roles in leadership planning within the task force.

#### 4. Recognition

K. Kunz recognized D. Dennis, A. Kiberu, and R. Tierney for their Board service with ILA Resolutions to Recognize Literacy Excellence and Service.

N. Wedderburn thanked D. Dennis for her support and for ensuring the integrity of ILA publications and shared A. Kiberu's farewell message with the Board.

K. Brown-Dudley honored J. Perkins' work on the Board with an ILA Resolution for Literacy Excellence, Service, and Contributions to the Organization. She looks forward to J. Perkins' continued support as ILA Vice President during fiscal year 23–24.

K. Kunz mentioned that the Executive Committee is meeting at 3 p.m. to review fiscal year 23–24 committees and charges.

5. Other Business  
None

6. MOTION TO ADJOURN: Ken SECONDED: Carol  
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Board meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m. ET.

7. Next Board meeting: TBD via Zoom