

The International Literacy Association (ILA) Board of Directors met virtually via Zoom on September 12, 2024.

1. Quorum met; meeting called to order by Board President J. Helen Perkins at 3:42 p.m. ET.

2. Present:

President, J. Helen Perkins; Vice President, Dana A. Robertson;

Members-at-Large:

Sue Corbin, Sonja Ezell, Delilah Gonzales, Young-Suk Kim, James Darin Pope,
Rebecca D. Silverman, Jeanette Toomer, Katina Zammit

Ex-Officio Member:

Executive Director, Nicola Wedderburn

Staff:

Debbie Harris

Absent:

Immediate Past President, Kia Brown-Dudley; Zoi Traga Philippakos

3. Order of Business

- J.H. Perkins thanked the Board for its work during the preceding work session.

- Board Committee Reports

- Finance Committee:

D. Harris presented financial statements as of 7/31/24 and reported that financials are tracking well on budget.

Fundraising & Giving Subcommittee:

Y.-S. Kim reported that the subcommittee met to discuss ongoing fundraising efforts and strategic plans for the fiscal year.

- Governance Committee:

J.H. Perkins advised that the governance handbook was distributed to Board members and she encouraged everyone to review it.

- Nominating Committee:

N. Wedderburn pointed out the importance of the committee's work to the future of ILA. She urged Board members to each nominate 2–3 individuals for service on ILA's Board and to share this leadership opportunity with their networks. An informational Zoom call will be held to discuss what it means to serve in this role.

- Research Committee:

D. Robertson reported that the committee will meet at the end of September to

review charges and discuss alignment of its work with ILA's strategic plan.

- Anti-Racism, Social Justice, and Equity Committee:
N. Wedderburn reported that the committee held its first meeting of the fiscal year and will discuss refinements of charges and goals.
- Program Committee:
K. Zammit shared that the committee met and discussed programming and goals for the fiscal year as well as ideas to reuse webinar content.
- Global Committee:
N. Wedderburn reported that the committee has not yet met. However, global project proposals from various regions were received and will be discussed at upcoming meetings.
- Journals Committee:
R. Silverman will discuss committee goals with B. Fetterolf prior to scheduling a full meeting.
- Membership Committee:
N. Wedderburn shared that a meeting will be scheduled soon to discuss committee charges and ideas for member participation.
- Awards and Grants Committee:
N. Wedderburn explained that four previously retired awards were reopened—two of which are international awards.
- Commission on ILA National Recognition:
J.H. Perkins shared that the committee is working on reviewing self-studies and that 11 new submissions are expected.
- ILA Administrator Task Force:
N. Wedderburn advised that the committee's meeting schedule is being established.

4. Other Business

R. Silverman shared that the state of California recently requested literacy professionals to provide documentation for their literacy teacher preparation/professional standards expectations. This presents an opportunity for ILA's National Recognition program.

5. MOTION TO ADJOURN: J.H. Perkins; SECONDED: R. Silverman;
Board meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. ET.

6. Next Board meeting:
November 21, 2024, at 3 p.m. ET via Zoom