

ATA Board Meeting, Virtual, August 9 – 10, 2025

To keep the membership abreast of ATA Board activities in a timely manner, a summary of the most recent Board meeting follows.

This summary is not the same as the minutes. Meeting minutes are posted in the Members-Only section of the ATA website after they are approved by the Board:

<https://www.atanet.org/about-us/board/board-meeting-minutes/>

At its August 2025 meeting, the Board:

- Adopted the Board agenda.
- Approved the minutes from the May 3 & 4, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting.
- Received remarks from President Koby.
- Reviewed and discussed the ATA Strategic Plan.
- Approved a motion that the Board authorize the Executive Committee to investigate the questions raised by the Board and consider contributing to the ALC's Language Industry Advocacy Fund.
- Discussed the decoupling issue.
- Discussed the issue of paying ATA's legal counsel by retainer or hourly.
- Received an update on annual conference planning from President-Elect Benzo.
- Received the Headquarters report from Interim Executive Director Adrian Aleckna.
- Received the Treasurer's Report from Treasurer Bonthrone.
- Approved a motion that the Board approve the proposed ATA 2025-26 Annual budget.
- Approved a motion to amend Article III, Section 4 (b), Sentence 4 of the ATA Bylaws on the October 2025 ballot, and to recommend adoption by the membership.
- Discussed a possible new ATA member benefit for institutional members regarding student and educator access to ATA webinars and *The ATA Chronicle*.
- Reviewed the Divisions Committee report.
- Approved a motion that the Board approve the revised Division Handbook.
- Appointed Analia Bogdan as the Chair of the Divisions Committee
- Reviewed the Advocacy Committee Report.
- Appointed Marisa Rueda Will to the Advocacy Committee.
- Reviewed committee and division reports requiring no Board action.
- Heard from the Chair of the Public Relations Committee Jamie Hartz about the Know-Your-Rights card project.
- Reviewed other reports.
- Discussed member feedback to Board members.
- Reviewed the German Language Division committee report.
- Discussed the results of 2025 GLD Membership Survey.
- Reviewed the Business Practices Education Committee.
- Discussed ATA Mentoring Program recruitment and retention.
- Reviewed the DEIAB Task Force committee report.

- Discussed the revised DEIAB statement and call for instruction.
- Approved the date of record.
- Approved the appointment of the Inspector of Elections.
- Reviewed the Literary Division committee report.
- Accepted revisions and additions to the May 2025 statement on AI drafted by the AI Task Force to reflect the concerns of book and literary translators.
- Approved the nomination of [name confidential until announced at ATA66 conference] as the recipient of the 2025 Alexander Gode Medal.
- Reviewed the Certification Committee report.
- Approved discount for graders attending ATA66 and the four-hour grader training session onsite.
- Reviewed the Strategy Committee report.
- Discussed draft guidance on artificial intelligence and the status of the Strategy Committee.
- Discussed the proposed ATA Linguistic Intelligence Program micro-credential.
- Discussed the upcoming site visit by the Executive Committee, the Interim Executive Director and the Conference Planner to Las Vegas, NV for possible hotel selection for the 2027 ATA conference.
- Discussed the location and date for the next in-person Board meeting.
- Under other business, approved postponing implementation of ATA's standard dues increase until the October 2025 Board meeting.