

# WISCONSIN ARTS BOARD

Board Committees 2024 – 2026

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*Note: The Board Chairperson is considered a member of all committees.*

## STANDING COMMITTEES

### Accessibility Committee

*Empowered to ensure access for all citizens of Wisconsin to WAB's programs and services. Called upon to work with staff and constituents to address specific issues surrounding access for people with disabilities, people of color, and people in the rural areas, as requested by the board.*

#### Members

*William Mitchell, Chairperson*

Catherine Boldt (citizen member)

Ann Brunner (citizen member)

Lynn Richie

Christina Martin-Wright (citizen member)

Bob Wagner (citizen member)

Wendy Weiler (citizen member)

### Budget/Finance Committee

*The committee shall prepare and recommend the annual budget to the Board and review financial statements submitted by the Executive Director. The committee shall also submit budget and financial reports to the Board at each of its regularly scheduled meetings.*

#### Members

*John Potter, Chairperson*

John Johnson

Susan Lipp

Matt Wallock

### Executive Committee

*The committee shall possess, during intervals between meetings of the Board, all powers of the Board in the management of the business and affairs of the Board other than the hiring or termination of the Executive Director or such other matters as the Board has by resolution expressly reserved to itself.*

#### Members

*Brian Kelsey, Chairperson*

Lynn Richie, Vice Chairperson

Jayne Herring, Secretary

Karen Ann Hoffman, Member at Large

John Potter, Member at Large | Budget/Finance Chairperson

## **External Relations Committee**

*The committee shall meet periodically to study and recommend ways to increase the visibility of WAB's programs, services, and collaborative partnerships, to the media, the legislature, and the general public. Committee members will lead the recommended work with assistance from staff.*

### **Members**

*Marcela 'Xela' Garcia, Chairperson*

Jayne Herring

Karen Ann Hoffman

John Johnson

Dinorah Márquez Abadiano

Matthew Wallock

## **Nominating Committee**

*The committee shall nominate a slate or slates of officers and Executive Committee members for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Board.*

### **Members**

*Jennifer Schwarzkopf, Chairperson*

Susan Lipp

Lynn Richie

## **Personnel Committee**

*The committee shall meet as needed to review personnel matters for the Board and shall report to the Board.*

### **Members**

*Brian Kelsey, Chairperson*

*Lynn Richie, Vice Chairperson*

*Jayne Herring, Secretary*

*Karen Ann Hoffman, Member at Large*

*John Potter, Member at Large | Budget/Finance Chairperson*

## **Strategic Planning Committee**

*The committee shall meet from time to time during the fiscal year to study and recommend to the Board policy and long-range planning goals. The committee works on a three-year cycle to develop the agency's strategic plan.*

### **Members**

*John W. Johnson, Chairperson*

Marcela 'Xela' Garcia

Tyler Marchant

John Potter

LaShawndra Vernon

Robert Wagner (citizen member)

## **AD HOC COMMITTEES**

### **Bylaws Committee**

*The committee shall meet at least once during the fiscal year to review the existing Bylaws of the Board and, when necessary, propose revisions to the Board.*

#### **Members**

*John Potter, Chairperson*

*Matt Wallock*

### **Representative to the Poet Laureate Commission**

*Represent the Wisconsin Arts Board as a member of the Wisconsin Poet Laureate Commission, which selects the state's Poet Laureate and administers funding and programming associated with this position.*

#### **Representative**

*John W. Johnson*

### **Woodland Indian Arts Program**

*The Woodland Indian Arts Initiative is designed to promote and develop the traditional and contemporary Native American arts of the 11 federally recognized tribal governments in Wisconsin. As part of this work, the committee advises WAB on funding, field work, and other technical assistance to be implemented annually from funds received through the Gaming Compacts.*

#### **Members**

*Karen Ann Hoffman, Chairperson*

*Beth Bashara (citizen member)*

*Barb Munson (citizen member)*

*Sharon Stewart (citizen member)*