

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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What makes a good volunteer?

In my experience, a good volunteer is someone with a strong interest in a profession, organization, or specific role; the aptitude to contribute in a constructive and meaningful way; and the time to devote to such service.

Tell me more!

We know FLA members contribute every day through their paid positions.

But you may not realize that FLA runs on volunteers! In fact, volunteers are vital to any and every nonprofit organization. FLA is led by 17 volunteer Executive Board members, and nearly 140 dedicated FLA members power our eight active committees and 13 subcommittees. While FLA experience is a plus, you need only a commitment to FLA and a willingness to learn in order to volunteer as a committee member.

Our board and committees meet monthly to plan the events, programs, and initiatives of FLA. And these folks seriously put in the work. FLA's volunteers are some of the most dedicated and hardworking people who I have had the privilege to work with.

Look for the 2024-2025 Call for Board Member Nominations this fall and FLA Call for Committee Members in March 2024.

Other member opportunities include volunteering at Conference and assisting with Library Day preparation and logistics.

Sharing our diverse backgrounds and coming together to take important and impactful action are critical to good decision-making.

What's in it for me?

Volunteering for FLA can help you expand your talents, collaborate with peers throughout the state, and contribute to your profession. Plus, you earn the bragging rights of a bonafide FLA champion. It isn't always easy work, but the rewards are lasting. So help drive the library profession forward. You don't need to be perfect to be the perfect FLA volunteer.

We appreciate all of our volunteers and thank them for serving the Florida Library Association! Thank you for all that you do.

I'd love to hear from you! Send any questions, suggestions, or concerns to executivedirector@flalib.org.

Regards,

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