

GLR Learning Tuesdays | Funder-to-Funder Conversation
Co-Funding Models to Support Local and State-Wide GLR Efforts

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PRESENTER BIOS

PRESENTERS

Terri Clark

Arizona Literacy Director, Read On Arizona



Terri Clark was appointed the Arizona Literacy Director for the State of Arizona in June 2012. As Arizona’s Literacy Director, Ms. Clark is responsible for working in partnership with the Arizona Department of Education, Arizona Head Start Collaboration Office, First Things First, the Governor’s Office of Education, the State Board of Education and philanthropic partners to advance statewide efforts in school readiness and early literacy. As the State Literacy Director, Ms. Clark leads Read On Arizona, a public/private partnership of agencies,

philanthropic organizations, and community stakeholders committed to creating an effective continuum of supports to improve language and literacy outcomes for Arizona’s children from birth through age eight.

Ms. Clark is an experienced nonprofit executive with an excellent record of leadership and achievement. Before coming to Read On Arizona she served as Executive Director of Bring Me A Book Foundation, a statewide early children’s literacy organization where she led strategic planning, program management, resource development, and oversight of its mission to strengthen language and emerging literacy skills of California’s under-served children.

She previously served as the Executive Director for the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Foundation overseeing the programmatic foundation’s arts, education and workforce development programs, including the Fred Rogers Scholarship Awards, the College Internship program, and the *Archive of American Television*.

Her prior tenure as Executive Director of the Literacy Network of Greater Los Angeles, a coalition of over 250 literacy providers, was an excellent training ground for developing intentional effective literacy interventions and building a seamless delivery system serving over 500,000 literacy learners.

Ms. Clark graduated with honors from Brown University and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Literature & Society.

Erin Goodman

Program Officer, Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust



Erin Goodman manages Piper Trust's arts and culture grantmaking portfolio; she also co-manages the Trust's responsive education, health, and human services grantmaking portfolios and oversees a number of collaborative efforts and special programs. Ms. Goodman has worked in fund development and nonprofit administration for more than 20 years, serving organizations with missions that span the sector; she currently serves on the Read On Arizona Advisory Committee and recently served on the Board of Directors of the Arizona Grantmakers Forum. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in the humanities from Arizona State University.

Kari McCann Boutell

President, Iowa Council of Foundations



Kari McCann Boutell (*she/her/hers*) joined the Iowa Council of Foundations as President in 2015. Kari works directly with the Board of Directors and oversees organizational activities including program development and management, membership recruitment and retention, as well as education and outreach for the purpose of strengthening and growing philanthropy in Iowa. An Iowa native, Kari brings her lived, rural experience, passion for place-based leadership, and collaborative spirit to the network each day.

Kari has a bachelor's degree in nonprofit management from the University of Northern Iowa and a graduate degree in philanthropic studies from the Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy. Prior to joining the ICoF, Kari was the Director of Nonprofit Partnerships & Grantmaking at the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque.

Kari serves on the United Philanthropy Forum Board of Directors, Creative Adventure Lab Board of Directors, University of Northern Iowa Nonprofit Leadership Alliance Advisory Board, University of Northern Iowa Leisure, Youth and Human Services Advisory Council, and is a Co-Chair of a United Philanthropy Forum Peer Community. Kari is a Jr. Achievement classroom volunteer and participates in a local Women's Giving Circle, where she participates on the Grantmaking Committee. Kari also provides consulting services for nonprofits and supports youth philanthropy across the state and nationally.

Kari lives in Dubuque with her husband and two children. Her earliest memory of formal philanthropy dates back to eighth grade when she joined her local youth philanthropy group.

COMMENTATOR

Susan Patrick, Ph.D.

Director of Childhood Success, United Way of Southwest Virginia



Joining the team in 2020 as the Interim Director of Childhood Success, Dr. Susan Patrick is a Southwest Virginia native with over 25 years experience working in the field of early care and education as a classroom teacher, an administrator, a teacher trainer, and a university professor.

She is the co-author of the book *Being with Infants and Toddlers: A Curriculum that Works for Caregivers*, and has studied responsive caregiving in high quality infant/toddler group care environments for many years.

Susan's work has led her to Germany, Oklahoma, Singapore, and China, but she is thrilled to be back in Virginia and become part of the amazing work being done with children and families at United Way of Southwest Virginia!

MODERATOR

Becky Miles-Polka

Senior Consultant, Campaign for Grade-Level Reading



As founder and President of Within Reach Consulting Services, Becky Miles-Polka serves as a trusted advisor to non-profit leaders, funders, public and private sector leaders engaged in improving the well-being of communities and the people who live in them. She brings experience in community change, population health and maternal-child health.

Becky is a Senior Consultant to the Campaign for Grade Level Reading serving as the State Lead for Iowa and serves in a number of capacities to support the national campaign, currently as a member of the Learning and Engagement Opportunities Team and as a coach to other members of state and local campaigns. She is a Senior Fellow with Attendance Works a national and state initiative that pushes for better policy and practice to improve school attendance. She is an inaugural member of the HealthConnect Policy Fellows with the Mid-Iowa Health Foundation.

Becky is a Registered Nurse, Certified Nurse Midwife and Registered Yoga teacher.