



Founded in 1980
The Secret of Success is Constancy of Purpose
Benjamin Disraeli
(1804-1881)

Long Island Language Teachers, Inc. is the single most comprehensive organization of second language teachers in Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Its membership includes K-16 teachers and supervisors of French, German, Italian, Spanish, Classical Languages, ESL (English as a Second Language), and ASL (American Sign Language).

LILT was organized by a group of dedicated educators who recognized their obligation to professional growth, and their responsibility to successfully service and educate their students. They were equally united in their commitment to promote and advance the positive image and viable position of second language instruction on Long Island and in New York State.

LILT provides:

- A forum for ongoing communication and exchange of ideas in foreign language education
- Opportunities for professional development
- Direction and leadership on local, state and national issues regarding standards for second language instruction and acquisition
- Leadership in the development, innovation, and implementation of curricula and programs
- Sponsorship of regional events and programs which promote teacher/student participation and excellence

LILT PRESIDENTS

May 1980	General meeting of concerned foreign language teachers called by Frank Marino and Dr. Joseph Tursi, Sr.
May 1980 to May 12, 1981	Steering Committee, Lucille Lambert and Richard Gentile
November 1980	LILT organizational meeting
May 12, 1981	First LILT Presidency begins under Lucille Lambert

Terms of office are from the May or June LILT Spring General Membership Meeting until the next LILT Spring General Membership Meeting 2 years later.

1981-1983	Lucille Lambert
1983-1984	Karen Bennett
1984-1986	Richard Gentile
1986-1988	Ann Henry
1988-1990	Adrienne Greenbaum
1990-1992	Elaine Margarita-Buckley
1992-1994	Marie Brett
1994-1996	Marie Guillet
1996-1998	Joan Militscher
1998-2000	Dr. Grace Mannino
2000-2002	Ana Aguiar-Mady
2002-2004	Ron Taub
2004-2006	Nancy Russo-Rumore
2006-2008	Adrienne Greenbaum
2008-2010	Nancy Russo-Rumore
2010-2012	Michele Ortiz
2012-2014	Anahí Walton-Schafer
2014-2015	Richard Gentile (Hiatus Year)
2016-2017	Ana Aguiar-Mady
2017	Anahí Walton-Schafer