

President's Report
Annual General Meeting
November 1, 2025

Dear Members,

As we reflect on the past year, I am pleased to share several important updates and developments that have shaped our work as an association.

We conducted a thorough revision of our Policy and Procedure Manual. This effort was long overdue and reflects our commitment to transparency, consistency, and professional standards. The updated manual is now available in the Members' Section of our website, where it can serve as a reliable reference for all.

In terms of our public presence on social media, we decided to leave Twitter (X). The increasingly toxic environment on the platform no longer aligned with our values as an association or the respectful discourse we aim to foster. While this was not an easy choice, we believe it was the right one for the integrity of our association.

Financially, we faced some difficult realities. Due to a deficit in our operating budget, we were forced to reduce allocations to the Bursary and Community Services Committee. These cuts were made with great care and consideration, and we remain hopeful that future improvements in our financial position will allow us to restore support to these vital areas.

Looking ahead, there is growing optimism around our efforts to secure Title Protection. If all goes according to plan, we anticipate being able to apply by the spring of 2027. This would mark a significant milestone for the professional recognition of our members and the value of our work.

We've also made meaningful progress on the dossier requirements for interpreters. This has been a collaborative effort, and I hope to see the finalized materials posted on our website soon.

The Board are also addressing a pressing issue regarding our certified members in Indigenous languages. At present, the three individuals holding certification are unable to work with ATIA. We are actively working to resolve this situation and ensure that Indigenous language professionals are represented and supported within our association.

Our newsletter has proven to be a resounding success. It continues to be a rich source of information and connection for our members. We are confident that it will remain a cornerstone of our communications moving forward.

I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all the members of the Board for their dedication and valuable insights throughout the year. I would also like to express my heartfelt appreciation to Allison and Kea for the invaluable support they provided. Their commitment and professionalism have been instrumental in keeping our operations running smoothly.

Finally, I would like to remind all members of the importance of maintaining appropriate insurance coverage for your professional activities. As translators and interpreters, we carry significant responsibility, and having the right insurance in place is essential for protecting both your practice and your clients.

Thank you for your continued engagement, dedication, and support. Together, we are building a stronger, more inclusive, and professionally recognized community of translators and interpreters.

Warm regards,

Perla Ben-Zvi

President