



International Eczema Council
Board of Directors and Committees
As of June 2026

Committee	Members	Description	Frequency
Board of Directors	<p>Alan Irvine, President, Ireland Robert Bissonnette, Past President, Canada Larry Eichenfield, President Elect, USA Kevin Cooper, Treasurer, USA Kenji Kabashima, Secretary, Japan Katrina Abuabara, USA Valeria Aoki, Brazil Bernd Arents, Public Director, Netherlands April Armstrong, USA Aaron Drucker, Canada Carsten Flohr, United Kingdom Melinda Gooderham, Canada Emma Guttman, USA Yael Anne Leshem, Israel Amy Paller, USA (15)</p>	<p>The number of Directors of the Corp. shall be a minimum of 11 and a maximum of 15 (14 member directors and 1 public director) with the number to be established by the Board of Directors (BOD).</p>	<p>Meets three to four times per year, i.e., March, June/ July, September, and December.</p>
Executive Committee	<p>Alan Irvine, President – Chair*, Ireland Robert Bissonnette, Past-President*, Canada Larry Eichenfield, President-Elect*, USA Kevin Cooper, Treasurer*, USA Kenji Kabashima, Secretary*, Japan (5)</p>	<p>The Executive Committee shall be a smaller group within the BOD comprised of the Officers and up to 4 committee chairs. The EC should have broad international representation. In addition, the EC will play a leading role in IEC development efforts.</p>	<p>Meets as needed between BOD meetings.</p>
Nominating Committee	<p>Alan Irvine, President – Chair*, Ireland Larry Eichenfield, President-Elect*, USA Kevin Cooper, Treasurer*, USA Kenji Kabashima, Secretary*, Japan Valeria Aoki*, Brazil Melinda Gooderham*, Canada (6)</p>	<p>Identifies, screens and reviews nominees and recommends BOD nominees.</p>	<p>Meets once per year or as needed to discuss and recommend vacant BOD roles.</p>
Education Committee	<p>Yael Leshem - Chair*, Israel Valeria Aoki - Co-Chair*, Brazil Nick J Reynolds - Co-chair, United Kingdom Ioana Agache, Romania April Armstrong*, USA Sandipan Dhar, India Emma Guttman*, USA DirkJan Hijnen, Netherlands Alan Irvine, President*, Ireland Carolyn Jack, Canada Walter Liszewski, USA Paula Luna, Argentina Fernando Valenzuela, Chile JaiDe (Jeff) Yu, USA (14)</p>	<p>Discusses and determines topic, co- chair, and speaker selection for symposia (e.g., AAD, EADV, SID, ESDR, ISID) as well as the Councilor/ Associate meetings.</p> <p><i>Former Meetings committee, new committee formed in 2021.</i></p>	<p>Meets quarterly or as needed.</p>



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Finance and Audit Committee	<p>Kevin Cooper, Treasurer - Chair*, USA</p> <p>Alan Irvine, President*, Ireland Robert Bissonnette, Past-Pres*, Canada Larry Eichenfield, Pres-Elect*, USA Patrick Brunner, USA David Cohen, USA (6)</p>	Monitor finances, approve budget, review audit.	Meets two times per year: May/June (audit/990), Oct/Nov (budget)
Research Committee	<p>Katrina Abuabara - Chair*, USA Patrick Brunner - Co-chair, USA</p> <p>Bernd Arents*, Netherlands Sara Brown, United Kingdom Aaron Drucker*, Canada Alan Irvine, President*, Ireland Emma Guttman*, USA Kenji Kabashima*, Japan Graham Ogg, United Kingdom Hazel Oon, Singapore Yael Renert-Yuval, Israel Jonathan Silverberg, USA Marie Tauber, France Yik Weng Yew, Singapore (14)</p>	<p>Development of various IEC research activities, to include surveys and manuscripts, including AD Research Priorities; Target AD Registry; and other activities to facilitate AD research.</p> <p><i>New committee formed in 2021.</i></p>	Meets quarterly or as needed.
Fellowship Committee	<p>Robert Bissonnette, Past-Pres* - Chair, Canada</p> <p>Valeria Aoki*, Brazil Carolyn Jack, Canada Sinéad Langan, United Kingdom Paula Luna, Argentina Yael Renert-Yuval, Israel Diamant Thaci, Germany Tiago Torres, Portugal (8)</p>	Review applications for Clinical and Research Fellowships.	Meets as needed to review applications.