

RAILS CONSORTIA COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, January 13, 2020
RAILS Burr Ridge
125 Tower Drive, Burr Ridge, IL 60527

MINUTES

1. Welcome

Paul Mills, RAILS Consortia Committee Chair, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Designation of Minute Taker

Jody Rubel, RAILS Administrative Assistant, was designated minute taker.

3. Roll Call of Members

Burr Ridge: Rebecca Malinowski, Paul Mills, Scott Pointon, Aaron Skog

Coal Valley: Carolyn Coulter

East Peoria: Kendal Orrison, Tom Stagg

CARLI: Kris Hammerstrand, (joined at 10:02 a.m.)

Absent: Emily Porter, Jennifer Slaney

4. Introductions of Guests; Announcements

Mr. Mills welcomed RAILS' new Associate Executive Director Monica Harris to the committee.

Guests:

Burr Ridge: Deirdre Brennan, (*ex-officio*); Grant Halter, Matt Hammermeister, Monica Harris, (*ex-officio*); Leila Heath, Julie Milavec, Stacy Palmisano, Jody Rubel, Anne Slaughter, (*ex-officio*); Brian Smith

5. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

6. Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Pointon moved, and Mr. Skog seconded, that

THE RAILS BOARD CONSORTIA COMMITTEE ADOPT THE JANUARY 13, 2020 AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

The motion carried.

7. Approval of Minutes of the October 21, 2019 Consortia Committee Meeting

Ms. Malinowski moved, and Mr. Pointon seconded, that

THE MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 21 2019 RAILS BOARD CONSORTIA COMMITTEE MEETING BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

The motion carried.

8. Unfinished Business

a. FY 2022 LLSAP support grant formula

Ms. Slaughter opened with giving an overview of RAILS providing support to consortia. For the FY2022 application, four metrics will be used to determine award; collection expenditures, LLSAP annual fee, multitype membership, total annual interlibrary loan and reciprocal borrowing transactions. Collection expenditures and total interlibrary loan and reciprocal borrowing transaction will be based on a three-year average. New to the FY2022 formula is the usage of quartiles and service population. The definition of service population is being revised to be consistent with other services and data collection purposes. The refined formula is explainable, it demonstrates equitable distribution, and is transparent. Grant Halter, RAILS Data Coordinator & Research Analyst demonstrated service population quartiles. A link to the quartile presentation was shared afterwards by email and may be found at <https://datastudio.google.com/reporting/b894963c-6931-4e68-ba44-e83dc41a1f93>. By mid-April the formula will be finalized after further testing. Members discussed the impact of variables in member fee components on the formula.

9. New Business

a. Reporting needs for L2

Ms. Slaughter updated the committee on the ground up rebuild of L2 progress and inquired about consortia reporting needs. The plan is to have canned reports as well as the ability to create on the fly reports depending on permissions. Work on the authentication tool is on the table, but not yet started.

b. SWAN Clarity Task Force report

Aaron Skog shared key outcomes from the SWAN's Clarity Task Force Report. He described techniques and methods utilized to identify common themes, areas to focus on in the future, and next steps.

c. RSA strategic plan

RSA spent most of 2019 developing a strategic plan by holding focus groups, interviews, surveying membership, and hosting a membership retreat. As a result of the efforts, RSA drafted new mission and vision statements. Key outcomes of the process include maximize engagement opportunities, focus on organizational effectiveness, sustainability, and operational efficiencies.

d. Purchase of III by ExLibris

It was shared that ILS vendor Innovative (III) was purchased by ExLibris. Members discussed possible impacts on III products. Mr. Mills reported he will be attending a demo at DEMCO.

10. Reports

a. Consortia Reports

Both committee and board members found written Consortia reports were valuable and will continue to provide reports in the future.

b. RAILS report

International Coalition of Library Consortia (ICOLC), of which RAILS is a member, conducted a survey on OCLC issues and encouraged the committee to read the survey. Monica Harris will attend ICOLC meeting at ALA Mid-winter meeting.

Approved 4/20/2020

Leila Heath, RAILS Library Resources and Programs Manager invited consortia staff and members to share any interests in group purchases. It would make negotiating group purchases on a larger scale more attractive thus, benefitting the consortium and library community.

11. Adjournment

At 11:43 a.m., Committee Chair Paul Mills declared the meeting adjourned.

Next meeting, April 20, 2020, 10:00 a.m.