

FY 2021 Service of the Month and Board Development Topics

Date	Service of the Month	Presenter(s)	Board Development Topic	Presenter(s)
August 28, 2020	RAILS E-Resources for All Types of Libraries – including inkie.org offerings, eRead Illinois (how many different types of libraries participate, scoping for schools, etc.), and SimplyE	Anna Behm and Leila Heath	Latest developments with COVID-19. How RAILS is responding, providing leadership, and tracking/sharing what our members are doing.	Monica Harris & Grant Halter
September 25, 2020	The new L2 – benefits to RAILS and RAILS member libraries	Anne Slaughter	Training, networking, and engagement opportunities for RAILS Board members	Joe Filapek & Percy Harris
October 23, 2020	Census grant report	Amy de la Fuente	School Libraries - Trends and Challenges	Jenna Nemecek-Loise
November 20, 2020	Measuring the Impact of RAILS Programs/Services on Members – projects Grant has been working on, new measurement/ evaluation strategies he has implemented at RAILS, etc.	Grant Halter	Special Libraries – Trends and Challenges	Halle Cox
January 15, 2021	Update on My Library Is... campaign	Mary Witt, Brian Smith, Dan Bostrom, & Nicole Zimmermann	Advocating for systems and libraries – opportunities for RAILS Board members to advocate, talking points	Deirdre
February 26, 2021	Update on RAILS EDI initiatives, including internal staff team and other activities	Monica Harris & Joe Filapek	Academic Libraries – Trends and Challenges	New academic library board member & Sarah McHone-Chase

March 26, 2021	How RAILS engages staff from libraries of all types	Dan Bostrom	Report on the unserved, including legislation and RAILS plans for extending service to all	Deirdre & members of Universal Service Committee
April 23, 2021	RAILS Discounts and Group Purchases – popular offers, offerings for different types of libraries, how much RAILS has saved libraries through the program, plans for the future	Leila Heath	Future of Delivery	Monica, Mark, LASA
May 28, 2021	Explore More Illinois – two years later (after debut)	Jessica Barnes	The state of resource sharing in Illinois: best practices, challenges, opportunities	Members of RAILS Resource Sharing Committee -
June 18, 2021				