

RAILS RESOURCE SHARING COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, May 10, 2021 | 10:00 a.m.

RAILS Burr Ridge, Videoconference Sites, and Zoom Web Conferencing

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MINUTES

1. Welcome
Ms. Ruhnke called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.
2. Roll Call of Members
Zoom: Brian Chase, Charm Ruhnke, Keith Barlog, Jeanne Modelski, Kristine Kenney, Ryan Livergood, Dianne Hollister
Absent: Andy Allen, Sia Paganis, Michelle Roubal
3. Introductions of Guests; Announcements
Zoom: Deirdre Brennan, Monica Harris, Leila Heath, Leslie Bednar, Gwen Harrison, Mark Hatch, Michael Campbell, Lois Bruno, Karen Goyer
4. Public Comment
There were no public comments.
5. Adoption of the Agenda
Ms. Modelski and Ms. Hollister seconded that the RAILS Board Resource Sharing Committee adopt the May 10, 2021 agenda as presented. The motion carried. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Brian Chase, Charm Ruhnke, Keith Barlog, Jeanne Modelski, Kristine Kenney, Ryan Livergood, Dianne Hollister. Nays: None.
6. Approval of Minutes of the September 21, 2020 Resource Sharing Committee Meeting
Ms. Modelski moved and Ms. Kenney seconded that the RAILS Board Resource Sharing Committee approve the September 21, 2020 minutes as presented. The motion carried. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Charm Ruhnke, Keith Barlog, Jeanne Modelski, Kristine Kenney, Dianne Hollister. Nays: None. Ryan Livergood and Brian Chase abstained.
7. Notes from December 14, 2020 meeting- information only
Ms. Ruhnke pointed out that the notes from the December 14, 2020 RAILS Board Resource Sharing meeting are for review only since there was no quorum at the meeting.
8. Approval of changes to Committee Charge
Ms. Harris presented the changes to the charge, which included removing descriptiveness of member roles. Ms. Harris explained this would make it more similar to other RAILS Board charges and allow for more flexibility in filling the roles. She welcomed Lois Bruno, and said she would be seated in July, pending the approval of this charge from the Resource Sharing Committee and later from the RAILS Board.

9. Approval of Annual Meeting Schedule

The proposed meeting schedule was screen-shared and Ms. Harris opened the floor for any discussion. Mr. Barlog moved and Mr. Chase seconded that the RAILS Board Resource Sharing Committee approve the Annual Meeting Schedule as presented. The motion carried. Roll call was taken. Ayes: Brian Chase, Charm Ruhnke, Keith Barlog, Jeanne Modelski, Kristine Kenney, Ryan Livergood, Dianne Hollister. Nays: None.

10. Old Business

There was no report.

11. New Business

a. Lessons Learned and Current State of Resource Sharing

Ms. Harris restated the Committee's goals and provided RAILS updates regarding those goals. She explained since much has changed due to the pandemic, she would like to have discussion about changes in resource sharing and if it should effect the Committee's goals. Ms. Ruhnke, shared that her library has used email and social media to a greater extent. It was noted that E-book use increased and has not dropped with reopening. As a result, an increase of electronic resources budgets and decrease of physical material purchases, like DVDs, was seen. Ms. Bruno introduced herself and talked about how the library usually allowed for college students to borrow text books but the pandemic impacted that. She said there has been a large pick up on any type of e-book. There was discussion on how the pandemic effected circulation numbers. A suggestion of looking into having libraries showcase their collections virtually was made.

b. Statewide Database Proposal

Ms. Harris reported that the RAILS Board met and determined that access to a statewide database would benefit Illinois residents, including the unserved, and libraries of all types. RAILS Board member, Becky Spratford contacted her local representative, Jim Durkin, to discuss what other states do in their funding. Ms. Harris screen-shared a document about how different neighboring states fund their statewide database programs. Illinois is one of only two states in the U.S. that does not have a statewide database program. That discussion with Representative Durkin's office resulted in a house bill being filed, 2071. Ms. Harris said there was an amendment filed by Jim Durkin to put together a task force to have a gather more information and report back to the general assembly no later than January 1, 2022 on the need for a statewide database for Illinois residents. There was some interest from cosponsors. The chief sponsor for the bill was changed to Representative Martin McLaughlin. Ms. Harris informed that the bill is waiting for the fall veto sessions, since it was not picked up recently.

12. Reports

a. Resource Sharing Committee Chair

There was no report.

b. RAILS report

Ms. Harris screen-shared the RAILS report and highlighted certain topics. She said Ms. Heath spearheaded the recent purchase of Consortia Manager to aid in RAILS Deals and Discounts. She said RAILS is right on track for being able to expend the remainder of the \$125,000 grant. Ms. Harris talked about updates in RAILS delivery which included ending the item quarantine and working with RAILS Delivery Consultant Greg Pronevitz on an RFP to explore cost savings and possible future automation. She announced that Explore More IL reopened on April 1, 2021.

13. Agenda building for next meeting

The suggestion to highlight special libraries and their collections was offered. Ms. Ruhnke noted an increase in reader's advisory since patrons have been unable to browse the collection the way they did pre-pandemic. A suggestion to promote the listserv for readers advisory was made.

14. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:04 p.m.