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TO: RAILS Consortia Committee – LLSAP Sustainability Working Group
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SUBJECT: Working group priorities

Below is a summary of the priorities that have emerged from previous Working Group meetings and remain on deck for discussion. We hope to have a discussion of this list and confirm, expand on, prioritize, and/or add to it as necessary to further your work toward fulfilling the charge and crafting recommendations. As the group considers what an ideal future looks like, what elements should the working group's recommendations contain? What more information is needed to arrive at a set of recommendations?

I have also included an excerpt of the 2019 recommendations pertaining to OCLC from the Exposing Consortial Holdings Working Group of the Consortia Committee, as they contain questions and recommendations that have relevance to our current discussions.

Emerging Priorities

- Cost of LLSAPs
 - RAILS support vs. total cost of operations
 - Membership costs and fee structures
 - Cost comparisons for cataloging and ILL processing
- Cataloging costs and services
 - Find More Illinois
 - Centralized services provided by RAILS
 - OCLC
 - Costs by LLSAP, library, and system
 - Membership and service landscape
 - Potential to move away from Group Services; explore cataloging-only service level
- LLSAP mergers
 - Benefits, obstacles, membership implications
- Bigger-picture library funding issues
 - Varying public library per capita tax funding levels
 - Effective units of service
- Schools/nonpublics
 - Do they want/need an LLSAP?
 - Other considerations for nonpublic libraries