

**REACHING ACROSS ILLINOIS LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD MEETING
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

Draft MINUTES

1. Welcome and Call to Order
Thomas Stagg, President of the RAILS board called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. on Wednesday, April 6, 2022.
2. Roll Call of Committee Members
Emily Fister called the roll of the committee members:
Present in Burr Ridge: Scott Pointon
Present via Zoom: Halle Cox, Jennifer McIntosh, Thomas Stagg, Alex Vancina
Absent: none
Stagg read the following: In accordance with Governor Pritzker's disaster declaration, the RAILS Board of Directors finds an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent and believes it is in the best interest of RAILS to hold a virtual meeting to perform essential business. Also, in order to comply with the Open Meetings Act, anyone is allowed to join the meeting as an attendee, any comments put into the chat during the public comment period will be read aloud.
3. Recognition of guests and announcements
Guests present in Burr Ridge: Monica Harris
Via Zoom: Mary Witt. Katherine Henc, Emily Fister-designated minute taker. Jay Kasten joined the meeting at 11:04 a.m.
4. Public comments
There were no public comments.
5. Approval of Consent Agenda - Thomas Stagg
 - 5.1 Adoption of agenda
 - 5.2 Approval of minutes of March 9, 2022 Executive Committee meeting
 - 5.3 Approval of minutes of March 10, 2022 Executive Committee meeting
 - 5.4 Approval of minutes of March 14, 2022 9:30 a.m. Executive Committee meeting
 - 5.5 Approval of minutes of March 14, 2022 11:30 a.m. Executive Committee meetingPointon moved for the approval of the minutes of the four March RAILS Board Executive Committee meetings. Vancina seconded and the motion was unanimously approved on a roll call vote: Ayes: Stagg, Cox, Vancina, McIntosh, Pointon. Nays: none
6. Interview with Candidate Jay Kasten
Kasten said how much he enjoyed his time as a former RAILS Board member. He is one who constantly wants to challenge himself and thinks the RAILS board brings opportunities to continue to learn about and contribute to libraries in Illinois. He has an interest in pursuing the idea of shared professionals for smaller libraries, for instance, HR specialists. He feels

that Universal Service for all residents is a key issue and would like to continue efforts in that area.

The committee conveyed the attributes and skills that they are looking for in a board member candidate. They will get back to Kasten as soon as a decision is made. Kasten left the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

7. Discussion of interview and recommendation of candidate to fill the vacancy of Patricia Smith

The committee members discussed the candidates and agreed that any of the candidates would make an excellent board member. Suggestions were made that those candidates not chosen could run in the upcoming election. A straw poll was done and a winner was selected. Cox moved and Vancina seconded to recommend Rosie Camargo to fill the position of the at-large library seat to the full RAILS board. A roll call vote was taken: Ayes: Halle Cox, Jennifer McIntosh, Scott Pointon, Thomas Stagg, Alex Vancina

8. Next meeting

No date was set for the next committee meeting.

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.