

REACHING ACROSS ILLINOIS LIBRARY SYSTEM SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 7, 2023 | 2:00 PM
RAILS Burr Ridge and Videoconference Sites
125 Tower Drive, Burr Ridge, IL 60527 | 630.734.5000

draft minutes

1. Welcome and call to order
Alex Vancina, RAILS Board President called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 7, 2023. He stated: In accordance with the Government Emergency Administrative Act PA100-0640, 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. All votes will be by roll call.
2. Roll call of RAILS board members
Burr Ridge: Alex Vancina,
Zoom: Monica Caldicott, Rosie Camargo, Alice Creason, Juanita Harrell, Robin Helenthal, Rene Leyva, Jennifer McIntosh, Julie Milavec, Becky Spratford, Karen Voitik
Robin Helenthal, Dianne Hollister, Thomas Stagg, Beth Tepen
Absent: none
3. Recognition of guests and announcements
Burr Ridge: Monica Harris, Mark Hatch, Leila Heath, Mary Hudspeath, Jody Rubel, Sharon Swanson, Demond Warfield, Emily Fister (designated notetaker)
Zoom: Samantha Daly, Ryan Hebel
4. Public comments and announcements
There were no public comments.
5. Adoption of agenda
Voitik moved to adopt the agenda. Voitik seconded and the motion was unanimously approved on a roll call vote: Ayes: Monica Caldicott, Rosie Camargo, Alice Creason, Juanita Harrell, Robin Helenthal, Dianne Hollister, Rene Leyva, Jennifer McIntosh, Julie Milavec, Becky Spratford, Thomas Stagg, Beth Tepen, Alex Vancina, Karen Voitik. Nays: None.
6. Approval of the appointment of the Executive Director
Vancina stated that the search for the next executive director has concluded successfully, and he was happy to announce the Board has chosen the new RAILS Executive Director. Hollister moved that the Board appoint Monica Harris as the new Executive Director for RAILS. Harrell seconded and the motion was unanimously and wholeheartedly approved. Ayes: Monica Caldicott, Rosie Camargo, Alice Creason, Juanita Harrell, Robin Helenthal, Dianne Hollister, Rene Leyva, Jennifer McIntosh, Julie Milavec, Becky Spratford, Thomas Stagg, Beth Tepen, Alex Vancina, Karen Voitik. Nays: None.
Harris stated she was humbled and delighted to be chosen and thanked everyone for their efforts throughout the process.

7. Closed session

Vancina announced the Board will move into closed session to discuss matters regarding employment, per 5 Illinois Compiled Statutes, chapter 120, paragraph 2, section 2(c):

(2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

Caldicott moved that the Board move into closed session, Voitik seconded, and the motion was approved on a roll call vote. Ayes: Monica Caldicott, Rosie Camargo, Alice Creason, Juanita Harrell, Robin Helenthal, Dianne Hollister, Rene Leyva, Jennifer McIntosh, Julie Milavec, Becky Spratford, Thomas Stagg, Beth Tepen, Alex Vancina, Karen Voitik. Nays: None

Hollister moved that the Board move out of closed session and into open session. Creason seconded, and the motion was approved on a roll call vote. Ayes: Monica Caldicott, Rosie Camargo, Alice Creason, Juanita Harrell, Robin Helenthal, Dianne Hollister, Rene Leyva, Jennifer McIntosh, Julie Milavec, Becky Spratford, Thomas Stagg, Beth Tepen, Alex Vancina, Karen Voitik. Nays: None

8. Actions in follow-up to closed session

8.1 Collective bargaining agreement

Harrell moved to approve the collective bargaining agreement between RAILS and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 325 as tentatively agreed upon by the parties and presented to the Board. Leyva seconded and the motion was approved on a roll call vote. Ayes: Monica Caldicott, Rosie Camargo, Alice Creason, Juanita Harrell, Robin Helenthal, Dianne Hollister, Rene Leyva, Jennifer McIntosh, Julie Milavec, Becky Spratford, Thomas Stagg, Beth Tepen, Alex Vancina, Karen Voitik. Nays: None

9. Next meeting

The next meeting of the RAILS Board will Friday, February 24 at 1:00 p.m.

10. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:28 p.m.