

DRAFT RAILS Board of Directors Use of Social Media

RAILS Board of Directors have the same right to self-expression enjoyed by members of the community as a whole when discussing matters of public concern. Directors should keep in mind the following best practices when posting content about RAILS-related subjects on social media.

1. RAILS Board of Directors shall make it clear that the views expressed are their personal views and do not represent the views of RAILS or other trustees.
2. Respect RAILS' confidential and proprietary information. Do not post information that is still in draft form or is confidential.
3. No comments with any kind of negative, mocking, condescending, or similar offensive or critical viewpoint should be made about RAILS members or staff in general, about interactions with RAILS staff, or about RAILS member behavior on the RAILS' websites and/or social media sites.
4. No member of the RAILS Board of Directors should comment on litigation involving the RAILS on the RAILS' social media accounts, or any personal social media accounts, without prior approval from the Library System's Attorney.
5. RAILS Board of Directors should be mindful of the provisions of the Open Meeting Act, in order to avoid discussions regarding RAILS business by multiple members of the Board on social media, so as not to violate the Act's provisions regarding these types of communications.