
REACHING ACROSS ILLINOIS LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD

Friday, April 24, 2026 | 1:00 PM

Northern Illinois University Founders Memorial Library, Room 393
Normal Road and Carroll Avenue, DeKalb, IL.

REVISED AGENDA

1. Welcome and Call to Order – Gwen Gregory, President
Videoconference site:
RAILS, 125 Tower Drive, Burr Ridge, IL
RAILS, 715 Sabrina Drive, East Peoria, IL
2. Roll Call of Committee Members – Stacy Palmisano
3. Recognition of Guests and Announcements—Gwen Gregory
4. Public comments—Gwen Gregory
5. Consent Agenda (action requested) – Gwen Gregory
 - 5.1. Adoption of the Agenda
 - 5.2. RAILS Board Minutes of March 27, 2026
 - 5.3. Approval of Disbursements, March 2026- Sharon Swanson
6. RAILS Financial Report - Sharon Swanson
7. Reports
 - 7.1. Report from the RAILS President
 - 7.2. RAILS Board Committee Reports - Committee Chairs
 - 7.2.1. Advocacy Committee – Jean Carroll
 - 7.2.2. Consortia Committee – Alex Vancina
 - 7.2.3. Executive Committee - Gwen Gregory
 - 7.2.4. Policy Committee – Catherine Yanikoski
 - 7.2.5. Resource Sharing Committee – Jennifer Hovanec
 - 7.2.6. Universal Service Committee – Catherine Yanikoski
 - 7.3. RAILS Reports
 - 7.3.1. RAILS Monthly Report – Monica Harris
 - 7.3.2. RAILS Service of the Month: Member Engagement Update: Jessica Silva
 - 7.4. Illinois State Library Report- ISL staff

8. New business
 - 8.1. Draft FY2027 Operational Plan (information only) – Monica Harris
 - 8.2. Certification Report 2026 (action requested) – Jessica Silva
 - 8.3. Executive Director Evaluation (information only) – Gwen Gregory
 - 8.4. FOIA Policy review (action requested) - Joe Filapek
 - 8.5. Strategic Plan Update (discussion only) – Monica Harris
9. Board Development
 - 9.1. Sustainability in Libraries: Rebecca Miller, Sustainable Libraries Initiative
10. RAILS Board Member Reports
11. Meeting recap and agenda building: RAILS board meeting Friday, May 22, 2026, at 10:00 am
12. Adjourn