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REACHING ACROSS ILLINOIS LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD

Friday, August 28, 2026 | 1:00 PM
RAILS Burr Ridge
RAILS Burr Ridge, 125 Tower Drive, Burr Ridge, IL 60527

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Call to Order - Catherine Yanikoski, President
Videoconference site:
RAILS, 715 Sabrina Drive, East Peoria, IL
DeKalb Public Library, 309 Oak Street, DeKalb, IL
Waukegan Public Library, 128 North County Street, Waukegan, IL
2. Roll Call of Committee Members - Stacy Palmisano
3. Recognition of Guests and Announcements - Catherine Yanikoski
4. Public Comments - Catherine Yanikoski
5. Consent Agenda (action requested) - Catherine Yanikoski
 - 5.1. Adoption of the Agenda
 - 5.2. RAILS Board Special Meeting Orientation Minutes of July 24, 2026
 - 5.3. RAILS Board Meeting Minutes of July 24, 2026
 - 5.4. Approval of Disbursements: July 2026 - Sharon Swanson
6. RAILS Financial Report - Sharon Swanson
7. Reports - Catherine Yanikoski
 - 7.1. Report from the RAILS President
 - 7.2. RAILS Board Committee Reports - Committee Chairs
 - 7.2.1. Advocacy Committee - Emily Porter
 - 7.2.2. Consortia Committee - Megan Gove
 - 7.2.3. Executive Committee - Catherine Yanikoski
 - 7.2.4. Nominating Committee - Gwen Gregory
 - 7.2.5. Policy Committee - Amanda Kowalcze
 - 7.2.6. Resource Sharing Committee - Gwen Gregory
 - 7.2.7. Universal Service Committee - Jennifer Cutshall
 - 7.3. RAILS Reports
 - 7.3.1. RAILS Monthly Report - Monica Harris



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- 7.3.2. RAILS Service of the Month: Local Library System Automation Program (LLSAP)
Service - Anne Slaughter
 - 7.4. Illinois State Library Report- ISL staff
 - 8. New Business
 - 8.1. Library Suspension (action requested) - Jessica Silva
 - 8.2. Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act Report for FY2026 (discussion only) - Joe Filapek
 - 8.3. RAILS Six-Month Investment Portfolio Review (discussion only) - Sharon Swanson
 - 8.4. Strategic Plan Update (discussion only) - Joe Filapek
 - 9. Unfinished Business
 - 9.1. Board Committee Assignments - Monica Harris
 - 10. Board Development
 - 10.1. RAILS Catalyst Leadership Program - Kate Niehoff
 - 11. RAILS Board Member Reports - Catherine Yanikoski
 - 12. Meeting recap and agenda building: RAILS board meeting Friday, September 25, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. at the RAILS Coal Valley Service Center - Catherine Yanikoski