Agenda item 8.3

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TO: RAILS Board of Directors

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SUBJECT: 8.3 RAILS Closing for Staff In-Service Day

To foster professional development and camaraderie among our geographically dispersed staff, we propose closing RAILS on Thursday, May 06, 2026, for a dedicated staff learning day. This opportunity is crucial to maintaining a cohesive, engaged workforce across our five-location network.

Our last staff in-service day, held on May 07, 2025, at Joliet Junior College in Joliet, was a valuable learning experience. The committee is diligently working to plan an equally enriching event for May 2026, including selecting a location, activities, and speakers.

I look forward to further discussion on this matter at our November meeting.