

PrairieCat Administrative Council Brief November 8th, 2024

Membership Update

- PrairieCat staff continues working with Mills and Petrie on their upgrade. The Elwood branch of the Manhattan Elwood Library will be opening at the end of November.
- Kirkland Public Library was the one library we sent an out of compliance letter to after the semi-annual compliance review. In October they added 72 items, so they are getting back on track.
- Vega Discover course has been reposted and updated on Talent LMS due to constant changes to the platform. The UX and Training Committees have been testing the user roles and permissions project on the Vega Staff Admin side. We are also working on the Kids Cat and there are several things the staff and Innovative need to discuss before we move forward.

Administrative Issues

- Update, Coal Valley file planning considering fire monitoring RAILS is willing to store our files in Burr Ridge after cancelling the fire monitoring at Coal Valley.
- PrairieCat demoed the Innovative mobile app in September. We have upcoming demos with BibilioCommons and Communico and a conversation scheduled with Capira.
- MARCIVE has recently announced its closure at the end of December 2024. Considering this development, PrairieCat is actively seeking a new provider for these essential services.
- One of our libraries has requested an exception to the in-person attendance at Delegates due to a hearing disability. The Council believes this is a legitimate reason to grant a waiver of the in-person attendance requirement at Delegates Assembly.
- PrairieCat is reviewing their strategic planning process. We plan to keep the current goals and add one more that is UX for library staff. Ryan (JO) and Diedrich (GA) volunteered to be a part of strategic planning process.

Next Meeting - Friday, December 6, 2024, Princeton Public Library, Princeton, IL

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