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PrairieCat Administrative Council

Brief

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Membership update

- PrairieCat staff are working through the procedures to remove Dakota CUSD and UnityPoint/Trinity Medical Library from the system. Putnam County School District has been adding the Elementary School into the system.
- PUG Day registration links are live. PrairieCat will be doing a Vega Discover Customizations cohort in the fall. Account Linking has not been enabled yet. The RFI is live and has been sent to SirsiDynex, Civica, Bywater, Equinox, and TLC with a deadline of September 30, 2026.
- In FY26, five member libraries were fined for not meeting the minimum Delegates Assembly attendance requirements. Compared with FY25 attendance, Zoom attendance is down overall in FY26 and in person attendance has increased.

Administrative issues

- The Council voted to approve the changes to the Retiree Health Policy in the Employee Handbook as presented.
- The Council voted to approve the pay scale for the PrairieCat Director as presented.
- PrairieCat gathered emergency phone numbers for members of the Administrative Council.

Next meeting - Friday, September 4, 2026, at Princeton Public Library, Princeton, IL