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Consent Agenda Implementation & Feedback

After significant discussion, this is the first Board of Library Trustees meeting packet to include a consent agenda. As we acclimate to this tool, I would appreciate hearing any feedback Trustees have about the agenda and packet. The intention behind implementing a consent agenda is to make meetings more effective, and learning what works and what Trustees would like to see changed is a big part of making this shift successful.

A Day in Our Village Recap

Thank you to all Trustees who joined us for [A Day in Our Village](#) on June 7! This year, we paired Trustees with library staff at our table, which worked well. It was fun to engage with the community and hear about how people use our services, what they would like to see us implement in the future, and what they would like to learn more about.

Amy and Magda from [Woolpert](#) were in the Main Library lobby all day during the event, speaking with patrons about the Strategic Facilities Plan. They had an activity with vision/inspiration boards and asked visitors to identify what was most important to them in the Main Library. The feedback they gathered will be incorporated into their work on the overall plan.

Upcoming Tuckpointing Project at Main Library

As shared via email, we have a significant tuckpointing project underway at the Main Library. We expect the work to be completed by mid-August. There should be minimal disruption to library operations, but a variety of equipment will be used to access different parts of the building. This is a planned maintenance project.

Directors University

I'm looking forward to participating in [Directors University](#) through the [Illinois Library Association](#) this summer. The mission of the program "is to provide public library directors with a clear understanding of their roles and responsibilities and to provide them with the skills they need to better serve their constituents." As a new-to-Illinois library director, I am especially interested in learning about different library structures in the state, state library grants, state-specific library statutes, and networking with other Illinois library directors.

Respectfully submitted,
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