

# LIBRARY MANAGER'S COUNCIL REPORT

NLLS Executive and Board Meeting – March 2, 2019

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## LMC Executive

- Jodi Dahlgren, Chair (Wainwright Public Library)
- Tracy Woloshyniuk, 1st Vice Chair (Newbrook Public Library)
- Donna Williams, 2nd Vice Chair (Vegreville Public Library)
- Isabelle Cramp, Secretary (Morinville Public Library)
- Maureen Penn, Past Chair (Lac La Biche County Libraries)

Our last Library Manager's Council meeting was on February 27, 2019 with 38 Library Managers, 7 NLLS Staff and 1 NLLS Board Member and 1 PLSB staff attending. Some main points are as follows:

- Julie gave us an update on Lynda.com and as of now, there is no launch date.
- We had a survey go out before the meeting regarding the "Rock of Ages" database and it was voted to not subscribe to it.
- We reviewed the NLLS Services Discussion that was presented to NLLS at the February 28, 2018 LMC meeting to hear feedback on how things were going so far on our requests. Most of the points in the request had positive feedback with a few tweaks. One of the requests was for more training and Julie mentioned that because there is no conference in 2019, that NLLS was looking at offering regionalized training on specific topics thus saving Library Managers/staff from traveling.
- The public wireless was been changed to a 24 hour log in, but many libraries would still like to see an open system where you do not have to log into it using a barcode and PIN. There will be a trial run using some of the bigger libraries beginning in March.
- There have been reports of Polaris notifications (Text messages, emails and phone calls) going out at 7am on a weekend and as late as midnight. Polaris is set up to run the reports at 7am to not "bog" down the system and that couldn't be changed. We asked if there was any way that the report could be run but a delay in the outgoing notification.
- The Library Managers and their boards are very interested in receiving the Statement of Services that are being presented to municipalities. They would like to attend the council meetings when the presentation is being made in their area and asked to be informed of the schedule.
- We had a quick review of the Library Manager portion of NLLS's website and were able to provide Heather with some feedback. We also had a tutorial on Library Aware following the meeting.

We once again asked Library Managers to share something about their library. Some of the things that were shared are

- Vermilion is now open on Mondays 12-5pm
- Alice B Donaghue (Athabasca) purchased a puppet theatre which has been well received.
- Gibbons has a coffee and sign language conversation group meeting weekly
- Edmonton Garrison is hosting a *Spark Joy* Book Sale
- Marwayne just received a grant to create a Learning Commons
- Vegreville is in the middle of practicing for a theatre production
- Andrew is bringing the Alberta Opera to the library

Our Next LMC Meeting is on May 22, 2019 at 10am.

Respectfully Submitted  
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