Date: May 21, 2021

The following report is for your information. If you have questions, concerns, compliments please direct them to the Executive Board representative for your zone. Contact information is found on page two of this report.

BOARD

- Next general board meeting May 29, 2021 (10:00am) See the Agenda
- A reminder that we are accepting nominations for Executive Committee positions. Please send nominations to tparadis@nlls.ab.ca. Elections will be held at the next regular board meeting, May 29th. This memo on board elections outlines the various roles and procedures we will follow.

Approved meeting minutes are available on the website and meeting dates for the remainder of the year are also available on the same page: https://www.nlls.ab.ca/about-us/board2#grid.

OPERATIONS

- Offers for the Manager of Technology Services & Infrastructure, and the Web Development Specialist were made this week and we are negotiating with the incumbents.
- TRAC directors meeting was held this week. A solution to online patron registration was outlined and we will be presenting this to our libraries after the conference.
- We held an internal "mini-conference" to continue to iron out the bugs for next week's conference. We will hold a dress-rehearsal with speakers in the 2 days preceeding the conference.
- We received a quote for cellular service enhancements to our building this week and we are exploring further efficiencies and cost savings in this area.
- I was out on Wednesday as I flew to Utah to collect my family. I'll be working remotely for the next few weeks while we make that transition.

LIBRARIES

- I have met with nearly all our library managers now. I still need to meet with managers in: Andrew, Bruderheim, 4-Wing, Lamont, Thorhild, and Tofield
- We will be undergoing another Polaris system upgrade in early July. This will move us from 6.7 to 7.0
- Our library system, Polaris was, purchased by the ILS company Innovative Interfaces a few years ago. In turn Innovative Interfaces was acquired by ProQuest, and we learned this week that ProQuest has been acquired by Clarivate. This is a publicly traded company.

Our annual conference is next week, May 27th and 28th. I will be reading a children's book I wrote during the opening remarks. I hope many of you will join us for the conference. If you can't make it register anyway, the recordings will be available for a year.

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S.V. of Sunset Beach	County of Two Hills	Sturgeon County	M.D. of Wainwright
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S.V. of Island Lake South	M.D. of Bonnyville	Town of Bruderheim	Town of Vermilion
S.V. of Mewatha Beach	S.V. of Pelican Narrows	Town of Gibbons	Town of Wainwright
S.V. of West Baptiste	Town of Bonnyville	Town of Lamont	Village of Chauvin
S.V. of Whispering Hills	Town of Elk Point	Town of Morinville	Village of Edgerton
Smoky Lake County	Town of St. Paul	Town of Mundare	Village of Innisfree
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Town of Athabasca	Village of Myrnam	Town of Tofield	Village of Kitscoty
Town of Smoky Lake		Town of Viking	Village of Mannville
Village of Boyle		Village of Andrew	Village of Marwayne
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