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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 is November 27th (10:00am).
- [Draft Minutes](#) of the August 27, 2021 general board meeting are available.
- We are accepting feedback [on these policies](#) prior to the November 27 Board meeting.
- We are scheduled to meet with the following municipal councils in November: Sturgeon County, town of Lamont, Boyle, Holden, Bon Accord, Redwater, Two Hills, Myrnam, and Elk Point.
- It appears that between retirements and election results we may lose at least 23 board members, including half of the Executive Committee. To those that are leaving us, we appreciate your service and thank you for all you do for your communities. Don't be strangers. FYI: there is no rule that board members must be councillors. You are welcome to petition your council to remain on our board.
- We've been at work on updating our [board orientation package](#). Feel free to review it. Suggestions on what would be most helpful for our new board members are welcome.

OPERATIONS

- The [Service Catalog](#) is very close to the printing phase. The link will take you to the basic interactive PDF. QR codes in the document are also links. I am very excited to see this thing in print! If you note any oddities please share. It is a ton of information – the 1 page local value statements will accompany this for the busy folks among us.
- I met with the TRAC directors this week and reviewed the TRAC budget. The society is healthy. We'll be embarking this year on a major server infrastructure upgrade. We'll also have some exciting announcements regarding ebook sharing services in the coming months.
- Tracy Paradis, our phenomenal admin assistant, will be off starting Tuesday for several weeks. I'm not sure how I will survive without her. When calling HQ you are likely to get Diane for the next few weeks.

LIBRARIES

- Crystal Boorse, in our Operations Department, produced a phenomenal [spreadsheet of all our library's anniversary dates](#). That was a ton of work. Athabasca turns 75 in 2022! Crystal had to do a fair bit of sleuthing to get these numbers. If you see an oddity feel free to let us know.
- It is Vermilion's 30 year anniversary as a member of NLLS this year. I'll be at their board AGM next week to celebrate.
- Our Technology Services Team has come to a solution to a long standing issue with library receipt printers. Instructions on how to fix the issues went out today. Special thanks to the staff at Waingwright Library for trialing the fix over several weeks with our staff.