

Date: December 10, 2021

If you have questions, concerns, compliments please direct them to the Executive Board representative for your zone.

BOARD

- <u>Draft Minutes</u> of the November 27, 2021 general board meeting are available and a summary of that meeting is <u>available here</u>.
- Our next general board meeting is Friday February 25th (10:00am).
- We were out to the <u>Village of Kitscotty</u> and the <u>Town of Wainwright</u> councils this week.
- In case you missed it, a full list of board members, alternates, and committee assignments, see here.
- If you are new you'll want to review our <u>board orientation package</u>.
- We had 11 new board members attend the PLSB orientation session on the 8th. There will be another session on December 16th 2-4pm. <u>Register here.</u>

OPERATIONS

- An ugly snow/freezing rain storm forced two of our three vans to turn around one day this week.
- I met with TRAC society directors this week. We have approved the TRAC budget and I am happy to report the society is healthy. We are actively working on a new partnership I'd hoped to announce this week but it looks like we'll be pushing that to the new year, stay tuned.
- I got a sneak peek at the data dashboards through Power BI from Kayla and Jessie. Plans to roll those out are taking shape. These will be central places library mangers can go to access a variety of stats on usage of their library. Serious beta testing is set to begin in January.
- We had a provincial public library nodes call this week. A member of the health ministry joined to hear our concerns about COVID restrictions and programming.

LIBRARIES

- The 2022 Q1 <u>Social Media Content Ideas</u> knowledgebase article is now up. In addition to weekly suggestions the top of the article includes announcements you may want to share a few times over the quarter to get the message out. Well done Heather.
- <u>Hoopla Binge pass</u> just launched, check it out! Hoopla FLEX is launching on Dec 20th. This will add significant digital content to our collections. For further details see <u>this announcement</u> from Jessie.
- The ugly sweater contest continues on social media. <u>This link</u> should take you to the page and the post is pinned to the top.