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From: James MacDonald

To: NLLS Board, NLLS Libraries, Staff-NLLS, Library Board Chairs

Hello Board members, Library staff, and friends of Northern Lights Library System.

The keynote address from our 2022 conference is now YouTube. [Love it or Leave it? How to Manage the Emotional Labour of your Public Library Job](#). Dr. Norene Erickson and Dr. Joanne Rodgers made a power duo at the conference!

BOARD

- Read the [Board meeting highlights](#) from August 26th; Or the [full draft minutes](#).
- The next general board meeting will be Friday, November 25th, ONLINE (10:00am). The Executive will meet at 8am.
- The Public Library Services Branch is conducting a series of 7 board basics webinars. For a synopsis of the sessions and to register [click here](#).
- Thank you to the many municipalities and boards that continue to endorse our funding request from the province. There is still time to write your own, for instructions on that [see here](#).
- We have a new minister of Municipal Affairs, Rebecca Schultz. [See the announcement on Global News](#).

NEXT WEEK

- Monday at 5pm Vicky and I will be meeting with the Town of Tofield council

OPERATIONS

- There was a PLSB meeting this week. Their announcement on June 7th that financial support for our eMagazines in Overdrive would end on October 31 is currently up in the air. They might cover us until the end of the year. However, TRAC directors met this week and committed to supporting eMagazine access in 2023. We are just waiting on final quotes from the vendors. I am very hopeful that we won't see a disruption in service and we can identify a sustainable funding model going forward.
- The PLSB announced an expansion to the [Read Alberta eBooks project](#). It will now include 42 Alberta eMagazines. For the complete [announcement see here](#). Library managers look for promotional materials sent by the MLS department in the near future.
- As a result of our recent firewall migration we are now able to lift the public wireless bandwidth cap. Your patrons should soon experience a significant improvement in wireless internet speeds. See [Tim's email](#) from earlier this week for details.

LIBRARIES

- The first of the Winter Reading Program resources are now available for you to start planning your marketing for January. They include a colour palette, font choices, images, and some general posters and social media in both ready-to-use and editable formats. Library Managers can find these resources in Teams, see [this handy guide](#).
- Don't forget about the Power BI [feedback survey](#).
- Did someone say CHOCOLATE? Order your Purdy's Chocolates before November 15th. [Order instructions](#).

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Town of Smoky Lake	Town of Two Hills	Town of Viking	Village of Marwayne
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