

COMPASS MEETING

APRIL 27, 2016

1. Welcome and introductions.
Libraries Present: , Mary Lukkarila/Cloquet, Kelli Pelland/Baudette, Nicole Miller /Gilbert, Katie Sundstrom/Two Harbors, Sue Sowers/Hoyt Lakes, Katie Christenson/Chisholm, , Paula Chapman/Aurora, Nancy Maxwell/Virginia, Steve Harsin/Grand Marais, Julie Billings/Silver Bay, Carla Powers/Duluth
Staff: Jim Weikum, Chris Magnusson.
By Phone:, Jodie Johnson/Carlton, Emily/Hibbing, Lisa Pennala/Babbit, Rachel Heinrich,/Ely, Steve Devine-Jelinski/Moose Lake

2. Approval of COMPASS minutes for February 24, 2016 meeting. M/S Christenson/Harsin and approved by consensus

3. COMPASS and Technology Related Issues.
February 2016 marked the 20 year anniversary of ALS and several member libraries going "live" on CARL.
 - a. Questions or issues with Horizon functions (including expired Hold notices, etc.).
 - a. Expired hold will show up on block screen, Chris will turn on function for showing deleted holds,
 - b. Please delete old messages and blocks

 - b. Horizon news: updates, upgrades, etc.
 - i. SaaS (Software as a Service) hosted Horizon ILS implementation schedule:
 - May 9th phone call to answer questions,
 - Migration - May 24, 25, possibly 26, Will be down at least 2 days.
 - Checkout only on PC Reliance
 - SIP down (No MNlink, Overdrive, no notices, no bookmyne)
 - No access to ALS databases
 - Others available through ELM
 - Ipac links will need to change
 - Client software will change (Citrix software will need to be installed)
 - Chris will share more as she learns details.

 - ii. MobileCirc equipment "kits" and borrowing agreement.
 - Ipads and scanners available for loan for inventory or for outreach events (remote library card creation)

 - iii. Blue Cloud (BC) PAC implementation.
 - Not customizable now, June upgrade will allow for more
 - Gutenberg and My Lending Library items are included in the BLUEcloud PAC and can be downloaded immediately
 - "Suggest a title" button is available. It goes to Chris M and will be forwarded to the library of requestor.

 - iv. BLUEcloud Analytics (reports and statistics).

Webinar today on analytics, Chris will send link, she will attend training in May, will set up “canned” reports for most commonly used queries,

- v. Enterprise “discovery” interface
Fall implementation is planned. It will be done after the analytics piece is in place
 - vi. eResource Central (ERC) interface.
This option brings Overdrive into the discovery interface. It will provide a download button in catalog that allows direct access.
 - vii. Other BLUEcloud news.
Bookmyne has been upgraded. It is more streamlined but call number is buried
BLUEcloud Circulation is a new product, Bookmobile may try to use it. It is a Web-based circulation module, with no client software. It is not ready for use in libraries yet.
Cataloging – one school is starting to use BLUEcloud cataloging,
Chris will learn more about setting up cataloging rules, may start setting up after SaaS implementation
 - viii. May 3, 2016 training: Horizon Basics and MobileCirc +Inventory.
 - ix. May 23-25, 2016: SirsiDynix COSUGI Conference at Indianapolis.
Chris will attend this
 - x. September 15, 2016: Horizon Road Show at Brookdale (MN) Library.
Useful for libraries and administrators
Chris will send link for registration
 - xi. COMPASS calendar in Gmail.
Search for COMPASS in calendars
- b. ALS website migration: how is it working after one week?
- a. Magazines? How do you direct people to search magazines and newspapers? ALS is now Linking to ELM (perhaps link directly to periodical page in ELM?) perhaps put “online resources” or similar under ELM logo?
 - i. ALS Facebook changed and ALS blog changed
 - b. There are complaints about mobile version being not user friendly
ALS staff will be using wordpress to maintain web site
ALS is adding Wordpress titles to professional collection and to Overdrive
- c. MnLINK migration and OCLC record “reclamation”: update.
- a. Chris wants to start a conversation, and gather experiences from libraries that have done inventories and determine how best to accomplish them. Virginia, Silver Bay, Grand Marais, Cloquet to be brainstorming committee for this. Chris will also ask some schools to participate. Inventories need to be done before migration takes place.
 - b. Mobile circ folder on google drive has instructions for inventory

- e. Current balance of ALS materials budget for OverDrive: approx. \$ 70,836 as of 4/1/16 (this amount does not include \$15,023 committed by ALS member public libraries).
 - f. Continuation of e-magazine service after August 2016? OverDrive? Zinio? Or??
Circulation on Overdrive platform Increased 57% over Zinio,
First year platform fee was waived, going forward: platform fee \$6000 for both Zinio will have additional content in May. They have back files of magazines.
Users report liking Overdrive interface
Consensus is to go with Overdrive as best option
Something in addition to Nook?
 - g. Ebooks Minnesota: update.
More content has been added. There has been some discussion about self-publishing interfaces available in the future. Can a link to Ebooks MN be put on web site to go directly to the site?
 - h. Staff reports.
4. Library Issues.
- a. What's happening at your library?
Virginia –book sale today and tomorrow
Gilbert using Pinterest projects for patron projects
Baudette – local person in town temporarily hired to teach makerspace projects
Cardboard challenge
I pads used for coding class
Working with 5 univ. students on a survey,
Aurora – Library is a member of early childhood coalition, added literacy component, app for parents, brain development,
Grand Marais – They are increasing their staffing level. They added clerks and will add Assistant Director, The Library received a donation of Bernie Quick painting Program attendance up sharply. The new average for 2016 is more than 30/event
Chisholm – coffee available – donation based, patrons love it
They did Energy conservation lighting retrofit, changing fixtures to LED and reducing the number of lights
Two Harbors partner with St. Kate's marketing students.
Replacing windows preservation and restoration, finished by end of summer,
Starting cake pan collection, 10 pans now including Thomas the Tank Engine, Mickey Mouse and other unique pans,
Silver Bay
Cloquet – Anna Lundquist, the new children's librarian, started last week
Cloquet and Moose Lake received a followup Blandin grant – for wi-fi hotspots to lend out and 3D printers in the libraries
They will do more STEM programming,
 - Hoyt Lakes**
Crazy 8s math club was very popular.
They are looking for more afterschool projects
Also have coffee available. They rearranged furniture to create seating space
 - Duluth**
Expanding Mount Royal branch, will begin in late June, early July
Strategic planning process (using Library Strategies) will do a community planning retreat
Staff retirements require new hires in many departments
They are seriously discussing joining ALS libraries on Horizon

Hibbing

Emily – Coral resigned effective 4/16 There are now only 4 people on staff.

April doing Story times.

The city has stepped up efforts to hire a library technician.

Carlton working on a basket raffle fundraiser

- b. Legacy programming update.
 - Alexis now on contract (working from home)
 - July/August programming dependent on contract with state
 - d. ALS Membership requirements: status report.
 - a. Bovey needs board approval
 - b. No response from Kinney
 - e. 2016 Legislative Session update.
 - a. Library construction grants are dependent on bonding bill (request for \$ 2 million in Gov's bill)
 - b. Wide apart on broadband proposals
 - f. Staff reports.
 - a. ARSL programs to include some great things on maker programs, tech training, programs for all ages, space planning, scholarship money available from ALS,
2. Next meeting: Wednesday, August 24, 2016

The meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 26 conflicts with the 2016 ARSL (Association of Rural & Small Libraries) Conference in Fargo-Moorhead.

6. Adjourn.