

**COMPASS Users Group**  
**Arrowhead Library System**  
**Wednesday, April 19, 2017**

1. Welcome and introductions.

Libraries present: Kelli Pelland/Baudette, Mary Lukkarila/Cloquet, Crystal Phillips/Cook, Carla Powers/Duluth, MaryEllen Higgins/Eveleth, Steve Harsin/Grand Marais, Sue Sowers/Hoyt Lakes, Diane Adams/International Falls, Katie Sundstrom/Two Harbors, Nancy Maxwell/Virginia, Ty Palkkinen/Hibbing,

Libraries attending via GoTo Meeting: Lisa Pennala/Babbitt, Jodie Johnson/Carlton, Rachel Heinrich/Ely, Julie Billings/Silver Bay, Paula Chapman/Aurora, Katie Christenson/Chisholm, Liv Mostad-jensen/Coleraine

ALS staff: Chadd Niles, Mollie Stanford, Jim Weikum, Chris Magnusson

2. Approval of COMPASS minutes for February 15, 2017 meeting.  
**(not immediately available) tabled to next meeting**

3. COMPASS and Technology Related Issues.

a. Questions or issues with Horizon functions.

Windows 10 takes lots of memory to start up, so logging into Horizon the first time each day will be slow.

b. Horizon news: updates, upgrades, etc.

i. Upcoming Horizon releases (7.5.4 and 7.5.4.1) & HIP releases (3.24.1).

Version 7.5.4 is stable, will roll out in June. Email notifications will be automatic.

Version 4.1 is for family cards, It will be out 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. Family cards will be staff use only.

Version 5.5 will be out during the last quarter. It includes blue cloud commerce.

5.6 will be released late '18 includes merging patron records.

ii. SMS messaging: implementation: update.

Robert working on implementing text message notifications. Automatic trigger at day end, but runs in am. Consensus of group is to count as notice. Will not receive email with same info. Working with S-D on refining procedures.

iii. Possible wording changes for notices and messages + possible Privacy issues

**Consensus is to eliminate titles on notices,**  
**add something about protecting privacy,**  
**add "do not reply" statement.**

iv. bstats for tracking statistics: more than one bstat per person?

Could do age classes if specific bstats are added. Discussion about desirability of collecting more statistics. **No interest at this point in adding bstats.**

v. BLUEcloud circulation.

Released, but not ready yet. Can't add patron info. Chris can set up if desired.

- vi. Enterprise & eResource Central (ERC) interfaces: update.
  - 1. Time-line for updates.(Chad passed out paper timeline)
  - a. 4.1 is a security upgrade late April or early May
  - b. Nothing required on libraries' parts  
Chris working on handouts for cataloging fixed fields, ie. format fields.

- vii. Other BLUEcloud news.
  - Analytics changes – good reports –
  - Bookmyne won't be updated because bluecloud mobile is being developed. It is a Full mobile app. It can push notifications, It will be staged releases in 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Can be branded. Sirsi is Looking at developing kids' interface also.
  - BlueCloud Acquisitions – pilot in 2018 should be easier to use
  - Digital Academy – includes links to online classes for all age groups.
  - Library Connections video shown (available for posting – also on youtube)

- c. MnLINK migration and OCLC record “reclamation.”  
Chris and Mollie will do site visits for inventory. Finish all inventory by October 1, Email Mollie to schedule. Ipad kits are being reserved, so book those too.  
Minimal catalog standards – Chris developing handouts for fixing records.  
Will be submitting to OCLC in November.

- d. Non-resident borrower's cards: the volunteer committee met on March 2. Minutes will be forthcoming. Committee will probably need to meet again. Trying to develop consistency. Discussions are happening at other regions also.  
Possible youth pass for electronic resources? Could have another prefix for the region just for electronics. St Paul public is testing model with schools. Minitex is exploring.

- e. Current balance of ALS materials budget for OverDrive: approx. \$ 51,304 as of 4/1/17 (does not include an additional \$17,427 being provided by member libraries).

4. “Round-robin” questions of the day: Further discussion on issuing library cards to disabled adults (role of parents/guardians/caregivers)

According to State Library Services: An adult is an adult – they get services. (guardians not necessary)

& PC management software.

Cybrarian – kids can hack, according to Cloquet

Pharos – used by Grand Rapids,

Libdata –

Envisionware – Duluth exploring

5. Library Issues.

- a. No mileage for meetings! What the heck?

Advice was to not reimburse for mileage for non-employees

Exploring ways to make sure scholarships are possible.

- b. ALS network changes, effective July 1, 2017.

5 year agreement with service coop, 4 of 5 libraries in Itasca Co. on Mediacom will increase to 100 speed; Grand Rapids will increase to 300. Baudette also increasing to 100.

ALS Looking at moving filtering equip to be hosted at NESC – they have backup generators

so if power goes off, there is still filtering.  
Documents are shared in folder on google drive  
ALS virtual Help desk coming soon. Will include knowledge base.  
Service coop has 3<sup>rd</sup> party provider for wi-fi if you need wireless.

- c. Minnesota Public Library Trustee Handbook.  
Revised version available,
- d. Data Practice workshop.  
Workshop in St. Cloud on April 26  
Will ask Ann if she can do similar workshop in region.
- e. CE at COMPASS meetings: lightning rounds?  
5 minute presentations (sharing knowledge with colleagues)
- f. Legacy programming update.  
Handout with upcoming programs was distributed.  
ALS has \$2700 available. William Durbin to promote new book Dead Man's Rapids, mid-late June. Additional promo and publications. Mollie will schedule soon.
- g. What's happening at your library?

**Ifalls** 2 Statues created with Legacy funds.

Diane found charging stations for devices available for much cheaper through a local tech store than through Ebsco promotions.

**Cloquet** – One book program coming up with Duluth, book sale later this spring, summer event with baseball team

**Duluth** – Just had joint meeting of Library friends, Foundation, Board (included in strategic plan)

**Two Harbors** – Received a bequest and are looking for way to establish endowment. (working with Friends)

**Baudette** – Working on 2018 legacy art project

Held children's tea in April and will try adult tea later.

**Eveleth** Held craft programs in march, movie matinees during school breaks, phenology programs winding down for the season (3 years now) If other libraries are interested in phenology speakers, contact Mary Ellen. Book sale May 5 & 6.

**Aurora** – Book sale now. FOL partnered with assisted living to provide programs at residence, Residence will also will bring bus to library programs.

**Babbitt** – just celebrated 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary with lots of events

**Ely** – Has opportunity to purchase neighboring property, and city is exploring options. Doing children's programs

**Cook**– Has new website, Friends are registering for 501 c 3 designation. Spring pig has appeared (hiding every day and finder gets prize each day) Library will open on Saturdays in summer.

**Hibbing** updating children's room, mostly painted now. New chairs.

**Virginia** book sale next week. Hiring new clerk.

**Grand Marais**, strategic planning process postponed until fall. They will use Whitney Crettol Writers conference is 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in nov.

Note: Battery backups – be sure to check and make sure they are good

6. Next meeting: August 23, 2017.

7. Adjourn