

# Director's Report

August 28, 2019

## 1. State Budget

Still no movement as they have been on break

## 2. Macmillan Publishing of ebooks

As of November 1, Macmillan ebooks has new lending terms which are not favorable to libraries at all.

1. For the first 8 weeks from an ebook's publication date, a library can purchase 1 unit only at the cost of \$30.00.
2. After the first 8 weeks a library can purchase additional copies under the metered access (24 mo or 2 years) at a cost of \$60.00.
3. After 1 year from pub date, additional copies can be purchase under the metered access (24 mo or 2 years) at a cost of \$40.00.

Applies to public, academic, corporate and special libraries, NOT K-12 schools.

No changes to lending terms for audiobook titles as they will remain One Copy/One User model.

\*If the coop buys the one copy, no Advantage library can purchase it so this is at the Consortia level of purchases, not library level.

\*If we purchase when available, there will probably be many, many holds which Macmillan feels will get people to either purchase the print book or purchase the eBook on their own.

\*It has been suggested consortia purchase the one copy and place in weeded cart so no holds can be placed and after the 8 weeks when Advantage libraries can purchase it, we unweed it. Either way we look like we aren't providing enough copies when item is first published because we can't (patrons don't know this), looks like we didn't purchase a best seller for 2 months after it was published, or if we do allow it to become available on publication date, patrons will have to wait for months in some cases to get the title.

WHAT IS YOUR PLEASURE? Purchase and let it circulate or purchase and hide for 8 weeks?

## 3. Overdrive

Did add 110 self-published titles to the OD collection a few weeks ago. They are free and expire in one year. Interestingly, a few well known authors are turning to self-publication because their name is known and they are making more money this way and not having to deal with the politics involved in the publishing world especially the e-publishing world.

## 4. Narcan Laws

2019 PA36 and 2019 PA39 enable Michigan public and government entities, including public libraries to obtain and administer opioid antagonists like Narcan with criminal or civil liability if two factors are satisfied:

1. Person administering must be trained in the proper administration of Narcan
2. Person administering must have reason to believe that victim is suffering from an opioid-related overdose.

For public libraries as well as state college and university libraries can purchase/obtain/distribute Narcan to their employees and agents for administration if they are trained. Agents can include employee, volunteer, board member or contractor (security guard).

Public libraries are not required to implement an opioid antagonist program. If you do, make sure you have a policy in place. Also, employees may opt out as well. If interested contact your local law enforcement and first responders to see how great the need is for this type of program in your community. If a municipal library, check with your municipality as there may be a policy in place which might affect a library policy.

**5. Harrison District Library leaving 9/30/2019**

This will impact the budget for FY 2019-2020. We will lose \$12,450 in State Aid and their portion of the Overdrive platform fee and per capita purchases.

**6. New Board Members for 2019-2020**

**Going off the Board as of our Annual Meeting in October are:** President Erin Schmandt (Caro), Vice President BillieJo Bluemer (Rauchholz Library-Hemlock), Treasurer Mary Jaworski (Port Austin), Sara Morrison (Briggs Dist Library-St. Johns), Marty Rheame (Croswell), and Corey Goethe(MidMichigan College Library)

**Staying on are:** Brenda Francetic (Merrill DL), Vicki Mazure (Harbor Beach), Jill Fox (Mayville), Beth Schumacher (Moore PL: Lexington),

**Coming on in October are:** John Sheridan (West Branch), Cora Schaeff (Millington), Pam Williams, (Frankenmuth), Nannette Pretzer (St. Charles), Briynne McCrea (Columbia Twp-Unionville), Ervin Bell (Saginaw Correctional Facility representing special/school/academic libraries)

Thank you to all who have served, are continuing to serve, and willing to serve this next fiscal year. If you are coming on in October, please make sure to get me your Board Appointment Form before the October meeting.

**7. No Reservations Recommendations website <https://nrr.ninja>**

A new website/database going live at MLA which showcases and highlights recommendations for vendors and services from auditing firms to plumbers (lots of categories) arranged by coop boundaries. Please submit your positive recommendations as this will only be successful if libraries contribute.

**8. Peabody Training**

A great service we provide for free to WP members. If you are not able to locate an item in MeLCat, did you know you can search Worldcat? If you are able to find the item on Worldcat, you can submit a request to WP through Peabody and we will do the leg work to get that item to your library. Postage is normally split between the lending and the borrowing libraries and many libraries pass this charge onto the patron requesting the item. Sheila would provide the training and since we have a number of new directors, it might be a good opportunity to do with the coop. Thoughts?

**9. AED/CPR Training**

Is this something you would like WP to offer? Perhaps the cost can come from the Special Projects budget. Based on 35 people attending at \$80.00 pp, it would run \$3050 (included is a \$250 travel charge) for the adult and pediatric CPR/AED certification and is a 3 ½ hour course. This is based on the class happening here at WP. If you want it at a few places around the Coop, there needs to be a minimum of 8 people and an additional travel charge of \$250.00.

**10. Library of Michigan Dispatch Newsletter**

A great publication that comes out every other month. If you aren't a subscriber, google Library of Michigan Dispatch Newsletter and subscribe.

**11. Census**

We know how important the census is...redistricting...federal funds...grants...Consider having a display or the census representative come to your library for a job fair. They will also help folks apply for census

jobs online. Contact the Chicago Office at [Chicago.regionl.office@census.gov](mailto:Chicago.regionl.office@census.gov) to find out who your representative is. They are also putting together Complete Count Committees (CCC) in areas to help coordinate outreach.

## **12. Michigan Coop Director's Association Meeting**

Attend the MCDA in Detroit August 15 and 16. They shared some of their artifacts from the Burton Collection and the Ernie Harwell Collection. Out of the 11 Coop Directors, four have or are retiring by the end of the year.

## **13. WIFI Hotspot Lending**

A library in NY was surprised by a \$880.00 Verizon phone bill as one of their patrons who checked out a hotspot travelled to Canada with it on and incurred this huge bill. So if you are thinking about or already do lend hotspots, make sure they are not capable of international roaming.