Director's Report December 2022

Welcome! Thank you for joining us here at Bullard Sanford District Library and thank you Christian for hosting!

RIDES Delivery

When the Board approved paying for 3 days of delivery vs. 2, I had some comments from members about how the pricing on the RIDES page of MCLS's website is more general than specific. For example, they have charged some members a Volume Surcharge of \$60.00, but that isn't spelled out on the invoice. So for 3-day delivery, the cost is \$2448.00 plus a \$130 participation fee or \$2578.00. Some members received a bill for \$2638.00. I have contacted Scott Garrison at MLCS and asked that in the future MCLS itemizes their invoices so members know exactly what they are paying for. Since renewals aren't until next summer, I will try to remember to email him again asking for this breakdown. You also could email...more voices and MCLS may make sure to change this.

Michigan Gardeners Magazine

TJ had asked if anyone was interested in this magazine. It is only published in April, May, and June. Are there any other libraries interested in ordering copies? Sherman Township would be the distributing library.

https://www.michigangardener.com/bulk-subscriptions/

Swank Movie Licensing

I recently received our renewal info from Swank Movie Licensing. I just want to give every member a chance to get a quote if you are interested. It is based on your population (I have those numbers). If you would like a quote let me know as soon as possible and I will get with our

rep. White Pine will pay \$100.00 for each member toward your annual license if you are interested. If you have already emailed me I have you on my list!

VOX Books

I just received the first invoice for the Vox books order. Not all books have shipped, so I am waiting until they all have been received before Alison bills those libraries that ordered this time around.

Minimum Wage

I hope you all saw the Minimum Wage article I sent in last week's update and the email Clare sent on Monday. As of January 1, 2023, min wage is set to increase to \$10.10/hr. however, there is pending legislation that may have an impact.

Summer Reading Program Brainstorming Zoom

Held a SRP Brainstorming session on November 10 and 9 members joined in. The topic: **All Together Now**, was discussed and we had a good conversation and ideas! We will meet again on January 19 at 10. I will send out a link to the list serve so others can join if they want to.

Programming Google Doc

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1QXtXXCC-SWSSDDrfN55KBn_vtopoxroXfwGhAIQLJ0A/edit#gid=0

Please add performers and contact information. I will include this link in the Weekly Update, too.

Library Policies

I recently have had a few members contact me about **library policies**. Creating, reviewing, and updating policies are so important as you know, especially in this book challenge climate. This is by no means a complete listing, and I am sure you have other resources, but I thought I would share these here with you in case you also are looking at your policies. Hope this helps.

WPLC: Resources tab

LOM: Niche Academy Library Policies If this link doesn't work, go to the Continuing Ed page and click on Niche Staff Skills and then search library policies. Administrative Resources

MLA: <u>Policies Webinar</u> This webinar is wonky at the beginning. It appears to start about the 1-minute mark.

ALA: <u>Library Policies Guidelines</u>

Kent District Library: KDL Policies

MI Right To Read: MLA's Intellectual Freedom Tool Kit

Library Association Reimbursement Program

To date, twenty-six White Pine members have requested reimbursement for dues to Library Associations like MLA, ALA, and ARSL. Click this link for more information about this pilot program. <u>Library Association Reimbursement</u>

TechSparks 2022

The last Beth Z TechSparks, The Best of Tech, will be on Friday, December 16, 2022, at 2 pm.

#HumanofMILibraries

There is a Social Media intern at MLA named Hannah O'Malley. She is starting a project inspired by Humans of NY but the focus is on MI libraries. She intends to showcase a more personal side of MI libraries. If she reaches out consider participating! Sounds interesting!

Housekeeping Reminders...

Member Directory

Just a quick reminder that if your information has changed-email, hours, etc., please let Alison know. <u>Member Directory</u>

State Aid

Please send me a copy of your State Aid Report once you complete it so I can send you your compiled stats.