

## Maine InfoNet Board Meeting

Maine State Library Studio, Augusta, Maine

February 8, 2017

**Members Present:** Joyce Rumery (chair), Richard Thompson, James Jackson Sanborn, Barbara McDade, James Ritter, Pauline Angione, Clem Guthro, David Nutty and Judith Frost.

The chair called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

### I. **Update on conversations with Innovative**

- The total price quoted will stay static for the first and second year with a 3.5% accelerator in future years. There will also be some one-time upfront service charges to implement some of the new features – they have provided us with a menu of options and related costs.
  - Encore discovery – one time implementation cost for each system to get up and running
  - Duet – most sites will likely not do this unless they want integrate Ebsco content with Encore
  - Decision Center – We have asked them to provide more info – the service is a statistics workstation that may be valuable in terms of weeding collections.
  - My Library – Their app-based system for direct patron use
  - Mobile Worklist – allows staff to use tablets and phones in the stacks to do work
  - Program Registration – Calendar system for library events and registration
  - Hosting – One time migration service fee covers the cost of migrating from our virtual machines to their hosted environment. There will be no extra ongoing costs for hosting beyond the yearly cost quoted.
- James Ritter noted that the number of servers used to maintain six different library systems is a big contributing factor in the upfront cost.
- James Jackson Sanborn indicated that groups can opt into different options at a later date.
- Richard Thompson and James Ritter expressed concern about quoted prices. Thompson noted that the prices were retail. Ritter said that the system offered a number of new benefits, but it sounds like we aren't getting a price break when you factor in all of the implementation costs.
- Clem Guthro said that implementation costs would go along with switching to another system.

- Joyce Rumery noted that if the group opted to go with another service provider, there would be the additional cost of maintaining the legacy system for a period during the changeover.
- Travis from Innovative will be at the meeting on March 8 to provide a traditional demo of the services offered.
- James Jackson Sanborn indicated that once decisions are made, we can move forward quickly to start implementing some services over the summer.

## II. **Directors Report**

The director's report was submitted electronically prior to the meeting. There were no concerns/questions raised by the board members.

## III. **Update on the e-book platform change**

James Jackson Sanborn updated the board on efforts to spread word on upcoming changes to the ebook platform:

- FAQ sheet was posted to the site and publicity pieces have been developed for libraries to use.
- James has received 21 emails and 1 phone call from people with concerns about Kindle compatibility.
- The [download.maineinfonet.org](http://download.maineinfonet.org) URL will point to page where there is information about the change on or about February 15.

James Ritter indicated that he was working on talking points to distribute to librarians who will be fielding questions/complaints about the change.

## IV. **URSUS MOU**

David Nutty posted the latest draft of the URSUS MOU in dropbox. He noted that the draft language was recently revised to reference separate MOU between Maine State Library in the University of Maine. The updated language also notes that the withdrawal of one member institution does not constitute the end of the greater consortium. Joyce Rumery also updated the language with minor punctuation/grammatical edits.

## V. **Election of New Vice-Chair**

The current board vice president, Clem Guthro, has accepted another job out of state and will be leaving his seat on the board in the coming months. In anticipation of his departure, he submitted a letter of resignation from his position of vice president of the board.

The chair called for nominations for candidates for vice president. Richard Thompson nominated David Nutty. No other candidates were nominated and the board voted unanimously to have David assume the position of vice chair.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 PM.