

## **Maine InfoNet Meeting Notes 5/4/2020**

Meeting convened at 1:35PM

Present: David, Ben, James, Jamie, Janet, Marjorie Joyce, Nancy, Pauline, Steve

1. Minutes approved as written. Joyce moved the motion, second by Steve, unanimous.
2. The Maine Library Association annual conference has been moved from October 2020 to May 2021 for this year and the next 2 years. This means the MIN pre-conference also will be moved to follow in accordance with MLA's change We can begin thinking about a keynote for the Sunday pre-conference any time.
3. James presented his executive director's report. See full report in Box in May Meetings file.

James primarily discussed a phased-reopening of Requesting in 3 buckets.

Bucket 1: Fully closed, turned off.

Bucket 2: Open for local requests only: You patron can request from your collection only.

Bucket 3: Delivery up and running, we can open up request function.

There was a discussion about when Freedom Express will restart the delivery system. June 1st or later is most likely target date, though Freedom Express is ready when we are ready to begin. There are a number of items in the system in the warehouse. Those will all need to be returned to the lending library as a first step. There was also a discussion of how a quarantine period on materials could be implemented by Freedom Express by simply holding materials a day before redelivery.

Download Library. James reported April was an all-time record circulation of 59,800. Up from 48,000 in March.

4. COVID impressions and comments. Various speculations on what a reopening might look like, but there are so many unknowns and the library facilities in the state vary in sizes. It's difficult to speculate. There was some agreement around the idea that it's best to set minimum requirements and not attempt to do extensive detailed requirements, and that any reopening will be a shared responsibility with the public needing to take reasonable responsibility for recommended behaviors.

Budgetary impact on everyone's FY21 budget is another large unknown. There was also an update on schools during this time of remote learning.

5. Marshall Breeding 2020 report. Discussion was deferred to the next meeting. Please skim through his report, which was distributed via email earlier, before the June meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:01PM.