Maine InfoNet Board Meeting 1/3/22

Meeting commenced at 1:31pm

All present except Joyce

Approval of December notes carried over to February

**Item 1:** Update on ARPA. James signed a contract with Innovative to move most of the MILS libraries to Polaris on a 26-week calendar. Contract for about $120,000, includes training in Polaris for the libraries. James said he had input from or talked to most of MILS libraries directors, and there’s enthusiasm for making this move to Polaris.

Of the 25 other “Sweet Spot” libraries, 16 are actually interested in adopting Polaris for their automation. James is preparing a spreadsheet in order to get a quote from Innovative.

We are still waiting on a quote from MitiNet for bibliographic clean up.

**Item 2:** Maine Reciprocal Borrowing. Jamie asked about timing for a robust restart of Maine reciprocal borrowing. After discussion, it was decided that there would be a meeting between Janet, Alicia, James, and Jamie to discuss timing.

**Item 3:** Jamie put in his budget request for a position to support Maine InfoNet with its management of the expanded number of libraries in our systems. Initial reception from the budget office was positive. But it’s a long process – we will see.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10pm.

Subsequent to the meeting: Meetings were set for the calendar year for Maine Infonet.