MORE Executive Committee meeting information

March 5, 2021

6. MORE Bylaws review and recommendation

Revised bylaws as recommended at the February 5 MORE Executive Committee meeting were distributed to all directors on Monday, February 8:

https://docs.iflsweb.org/more/files/administration/Participation%20Agreement%20-%20Appendix%20C%20DRAFT%2020210205.pdf

The bylaws stipulate "the text of the amendment(s) is made available to all member institutions fortyfive (45) days prior to the meeting at which the amendments are to be decided." Thus, the bylaws revision cannot be voted on at the March 19 Directors Council meeting (39 days from the distribution date), but it can be a discussion item on the March Directors Council agenda.

Woodville Community Library Director Karen Furo-Bonnstetter requested this agenda item "So we have a frame work for discussion" and also noted "The approval of the 80% to forgo one Director Council meeting - I do not think this should be applied to items that affect the budget or are monetary in nature. Also I think the budget meeting could count as one of the meetings between decisions but it would need to be attended by 3/4 of the library directors. It is just that last year what was discussed and ultimately proposed at budget was not what was presented at the July meeting and that led to a lot of confusion." Another director asked: "When would this 80%-80% override of a 2-meeting vote be used? I really need an example before I can say yea or nay on this. The 2-meeting voting process was put in place for good cause. Please explain the logic here."

7. Procedure change for MORE Directors Council agenda items

Woodville Community Library Director Karen Furo-Bonnstetter requested this agenda item, noting "I want an explanation for the change. To me the time line becomes cumbersome and since we are going by the 2 meeting recommendation than this is just getting dragged out. Also it appears Exec is going to decide what comes before Directors Council. Is that true."

An explanation of the procedure could be a MORE Directors Council agenda item in March.

8. Local budget discussion for MORE Directors Council

Woodville Community Library Director Karen Furo-Bonnstetter requested this agenda item, noting "Discussion going into budget: What are libraries seeing as far as their next years budgets and ACT 150 monies after closures related to COVID. When it comes to making decisions on the MORE budget you are going to have to know what your own budget is looking like."

Discussion of local budgets could be a MORE Directors Council agenda item in March.

9. Centralized cataloging (CABS) program

Woodville Community Library Director Karen Furo-Bonnstetter requested this agenda item, proposing "Libraries who have trained cataloging staff and those libraries that have shown they can catalog their own items will no longer have to pay for CABS." She notes "It is unfair to burden libraries who were have dedicated "trained cataloging staff" with the cost of cabs. 2- A number of libraries have been "good" catalogers for years and it is unfair to burden them with the cost. 3- CABS and shared services will still be funded by those libraries who need those services."

Discussion of the CABS (centralized cataloging) program could be referred to the MORE Bibliographic Records and Standards Committee and/or discussed at the March MORE Directors Council meeting.

10. Library app purchase recommendation

From Rice Lake Public Library Director and MORE App Workgroup Chair Katherine Elchert:

"This Monday [Feb. 22], the MORE app subcommittee met and, after some thoughtful discussion, will plan to recommend the BiblioApps product (from our OPAC provider BiblioCommons) at Director's Council (if approved by MORE Exec for the agenda).

The bulk of our conversations focused on two app products: BiblioApps (from BiblioCommons) and Innovative Mobile app (from Innovative). I'll plan to email out informational demos on both products, along with price information, to the full MORE directors listserv once it's approved for the DC agenda.

BiblioApps:

BiblioApps: demo

- annual fee: \$11,271 (subscription based on 25% of BiblioCore cost [in turn based on population])
- annual fee for optional self-checkout feature (all libraries): \$4,508 (projection based on 10% of BiblioCore cost)

- one-time implementation fee: \$3,500

- implementation fee for optional self-checkout feature (all libraries): \$625

Innovative Mobile app:

Innovative Mobile: <u>demo</u> (password: moreisgreat)

- annual fee: \$27,000 (subscription based on population)
- annual fees for optional add-ons:
 - Individual library branding: \$750 per library (otherwise, patrons will see MORE branding and links)
 - Self-checkout: \$250 per library
- one-time implementation fee: \$2,750
- implementation fees for optional add-ons:

- Individual library branding: \$250 per library
- Self-checkout: \$500 per library

Overall, Innovative had a lovely app (with lots of cool features!) but at upwards of potentially \$30,000 per year, it was just too expensive. BiblioApps will be coming in at about half the cost of the Innovative app. Plus, as it echoes the OPAC, it will be easy for patrons to use / recognize."

Minutes from the February 22 workgroup meeting: https://docs.iflsweb.org/minutes/more/2021/appworkgroup-minutes20210222.pdf

App information could be provided to MORE Directors Council and the recommendation could be discussed their March meeting.

11. Unified MORE Circulation Policy recommendation

The MORE Operations Committee has recommended a unified MORE Circulation Policy for Directors Council approval: <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/linGCETt-1eSzr8H-</u>6L4K1bMKtoDHVSVz2YTvJZF54YY/edit?usp=sharing.

At this time, the recommended policy codifies current practice and can be used as a starting point for future modifications. Some elements of the recommended policy are not widely practiced but not codified.

If MORE Executive Committee finds the recommended policy reasonably complete, the recommendation could be discussed at the MORE Directors Council meeting in March.