MORE Directors Council meeting information

May 20, 2022

10. 2023 MORE Budget preview

2023 Preliminary MORE Budget document:
https://docs.iflsweb.org/more/files/administration/2023%20Preliminary%20MORE%20Budget.xlsx

2023 Preliminary MORE Budget notes:

- First of four 2023 MORE budget versions
- Represents no changes to current MORE services or products
- Incorporates some expected cost increases
- Combines all IFLS services into a single "IFLS Management Charges" line
- Factors in the use of $60,000 in (uncommitted) carryover funds
- Uses the approved formula involving 3-year averages for cost-to-library allocations

Possible new products

These products are not reflected in the 2023 Preliminary MORE Budget document. Please take some time to consider these products or services before the June 17 MORE budget hearing, and also feel free to suggest others. The MORE budget hearing is an opportunity for all directors and staff to weigh in on the 2023 MORE Budget, before the MORE Executive Committee compiles a recommended budget for Directors Council. Directors Council will approve a 2023 MORE Budget on July 15, 2022

Product name: Niche Academy

- Approximate 2023 cost: $6,600 for a single system-wide subscription, to be billed annually
- Product website: https://www.nicheacademy.com/; see resources for public libraries

Niche Academy allows for the curation and creation of tutorials for the public and for staff training. Individual libraries could subscribe, but a single system-wide subscription could allow for improved training for all MORE-member library staff, and possibly also resources for library users via the MORE Catalog.

A vendor demo is scheduled for Monday, May 23 at 1p, and will be recorded: Niche Academy Demo

Product name: BiblioCloud Records

- Vendor name: BiblioCommons

- Approximate 2023 cost: $8,389, to be billed annually
- Product website: https://www.bibliocommons.com/allproducts, see the Add-ons section near the bottom of the page

BiblioCloud Records allows for the automatic display of all OverDrive content available to MORE-member library cardholders via the main MORE Catalog without the need for staff intervention.

Currently, MORE Project Manager Bridget Krejci imports into MORE and edits MARC records for OverDrive holdings (ebooks, e-audiobooks, and digital magazines) for display in the main MORE Catalog, Sierra, and the Classic Catalog.

This product would reduce Bridget's time spent on loading and managing these local records. It would also eliminate the current delay in getting OverDrive content to appear in the main MORE Catalog, would ensure full coverage in MORE of OverDrive content available to local users, and could reduce fulfillment issues for patrons trying to access available OverDrive content through their account in the MORE Catalog.

Product name: Booklist
- Product website: https://www.booklistonline.com/

Product overview: "Give your entire staff (and patrons) access to Booklist … and they'll gain access to 30 years of library-focused book and audiobook reviews, articles, core collections, and read-alikes, plus so much more that helps make selection, collection-development, and readers'-advisory jobs easier."

Product and pricing information pending.

Product idea: Collection management and library analytics tool, like LibraryIQ
- Product website for LibraryIQ: https://www.libraryiq.com/

Product and pricing information pending.

MORE currently has a year-to-year subscription to Decision Center from Innovative Interfaces, our Sierra vendor. The group may want to explore a possible replacement or additional product to aid in collection development and other library service analysis.