

MORE Directors Council meeting information

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The [2023 Recommended MORE budget](#) includes funds for one new product, Niche Academy, for a subscription starting in 2023:

Niche Academy

- Demo (44 minutes): https://drive.google.com/file/d/17T2qRI_njDKTiM5dl3NNI_r-IGz4qUo/view
- Website: <https://www.nicheacademy.com/>; see resources for public libraries
- Description: Niche Academy allows for the curation and creation of tutorials for the public and for staff training. Individual libraries could also subscribe, but a single system-wide subscription could allow for improved training for all MORE-member library staff, and provide tutorials for library users via the MORE Catalog.
- Cost: \$6,600 annually if contracted before August 1; \$8,300 annually if subscription begins January 1, 2023. \$2,750 would cover prorated 2022 costs

While MORE Executive Committee opted not to include LibraryIQ in its recommended budget on June 17 due to a prohibitively high quoted cost, MORE has since been offered the product at a much lower cost. With the revised pricing, John Thompson, as a member of the Executive Committee, thought Directors Council should at least revisit the topic. See product information and updated pricing below:

LibraryIQ

- Demo for MORE (57 minutes): https://libraryiq.zoom.us/rec/share/qC5CYHXDjmkhvGyGRn9QOC4PdWZ7sIP-34bQko_KdJ5k6e4hKu1Q9JQuwfi3VPgs.Bwb7M0cBEOsW16kc; Passcode: \$=g?2iAx (If you can't access the recording with this passcode, try using a browser you don't use for other Zoom meetings)
- Short demo video (1.5 minutes): <https://vimeo.com/488982454>
- Website: <https://www.libraryiq.com/>
- Description: A reporting and collection analysis tool
- **Updated costs:**
 - Year 1 (2023): \$40K annual subscription plus a one-time \$5K implementation fee
 - Year 2 (2024): \$40K annual subscription

LibraryIQ could replace MORE's current Decision Center product from Innovative (MORE's Sierra vendor), and includes some reporting and features not available from Decision Center. LibraryIQ also replicates some functions of the [IFLS Dashboard](#), a tool whose sustainability is somewhat questionable.

See the [June 17 MORE Executive Committee meeting materials](#) for other products considered at the MORE budget hearing and Executive Committee meeting.