

Directors Call Notes – 5/13/2021

**Delivery Restored** – Wednesday delivery will be restored beginning 19<sup>th</sup>!

**CARES Act Progress** – Funds were used to purchase tablets and exterior WiFi devices. The tablets will be loaded with MobileStaff (a stripped down version of workflows). Libraries who signaled interest in receiving a tablet back in the Fall will be asked to confirm before the tablets are sent.

Libraries interested in receiving an exterior WiFi unit should e-mail Steve. More units will be purchased in the next round of e-rate funding this summer.

**Plan of Service Revision** – Surveys – Three surveys were developed and distributed to get feedback on the issues facing communities in the 4CLS service area. The goal is to identify topics of concern and then hold topic-specific forum with member library directors to brainstorm possible library and system responses.

Here are the links to the surveys:

- Library Directors - <https://forms.gle/t7bBcRqP7ofSLu9eA>
- Staff and Trustees - <https://forms.gle/AJnZnU5u7eLW1D1f6>
- Community - <https://forms.gle/hgD8q9Y4B1M1KGTv7>

A survey more specific to current system services will also be distributed to member library staff.

Strategic Planning – Several libraries are beginning their local strategic planning processes. Paul (Vestal) shared his library's survey:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScRZKcMptl7wrW5rHFaMAmvyvq02nYF\\_q4Zcce8vKLNJEddg/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScRZKcMptl7wrW5rHFaMAmvyvq02nYF_q4Zcce8vKLNJEddg/viewform?usp=sf_link)

New Berlin is placing boxes around town to collect responses.

**Minimum Hours** – The State Library has signaled that they want libraries to get back to their minimum hours in June. If your library is unlikely to reach that goal, please let Steve know. For these purposes, curbside hours count. Minimum hours are based in the population of the library's chartered service area. (<http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/////helpful/standard07.htm> )

**Construction Workshop** – There are still seats available for the Construction Aid Workshop scheduled for May 19 at 3 PM. Register here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7306887400360408590>

The workshop will be recorded and slides will be posted on the Intranet.

Libraries will again be asked to complete an Intent to Apply form (deadline June 11). Applicants will receive notification of their preliminary award and can then decide whether or not to complete the full application. Full applications will be due at the end of August.

Libraries that applied last year have not yet received official notification.

**COVID Stuff** - A few libraries are logging patrons names & phone numbers. Many are still wiping down books- many just for the general cleanliness. Libraries are still wiping down surfaces regularly.

New CDC Mask Guidance – The CDC announced during the meeting that their guidelines have changed. They are now saying that vaccinated individuals no longer need to wear masks indoors with a few exceptions. The governor’s executive order requiring masks is still in effect- though that might change in reaction to the CDC announcement. 4CLS will forward any additional guidance and information as it becomes available.

**Next meeting – Thursday, June 3 at 3 PM**