Directors Conference Call – 6/3/2021

Via GoToMeeting

- Deadline to return construction aid intent to apply forms is June 11
- If your library has renovated (or is in the process) please send a write-up and photos to Steve for inclusion in the next newsletter.
- 4CLS annual meeting is Monday, June 7 at 3 PM (register on the Intranet). We hope to elect trustees and Steve will relate recent survey results
- CARES Act Implementation – Automation staff is working on tablets and wifi equipment. Cleaning supplies (disinfectant wipes, bleach, disinfectant spray) were ordered this week and will likely be distributed in two weeks
- Steve is now the main contact for delivery concerns until decision are made about the Facility Manager position
- Reports from the field:
    - School district public libraries are not necessarily bound by school policies (develop and follow a safety plan)
    - Many libraries are keeping mask requirements in place for now
    - Several libraries have reduced the wiping down of things – especially books handled by patrons that need reshelving
    - Some libraries are removing the plastic screens
    - BCPL dropped mask requirement (in conjunction with County decree) – patrons 50/50 masked vs unmasked. Most staff wearing masks in public setting – not checking patron vaccination status due to feasibility issues. Asking everyone to wear masks in Childrens Room
    - OSHA has not yet updated their COVID in the workplace guidelines
    - Programming – most still planning for outside programming during the summer. Some (based on space available) are offering indoor programs requiring registration to keep numbers manageable
    - New guidelines have encouraged some library staff to get vaccinated (some for public) but there are still folks who do not plan to be vaccinated
    - Meeting rooms – based on space, some libraries are opening meeting rooms for community groups – mostly small, vaccinated groups- and 1 on 1 tutoring
    - Many meeting rooms are still full of books and/or furniture
- Next meeting – Thursday, July 15 at 3 PM via GoToMeeting