

Directors Conference Call – 8/26/2021

- Libraries are requiring masks for the unvaccinated. Some are requiring masks for all. Patrons are generally rolling with it. Many libraries are providing masks.
- Summer Reading Programs are finishing up. Libraries are reporting strong participation and lots of new faces (new residents getting involved)
- NYS has a new Governor. Governor Hochul has been a library supporter. We hope that continues. Several pro-library laws are on the Governor's desk awaiting signature. Hopefully they will be signed.
- Construction Aid Application deadline is Friday, September 3
 - Join Brian and Steve for a 'office hours' for last minute questions
 - Link: <https://www.gotomeet.me/BrianLee> or phone: +1 (224) 501-3412
- Charge History vote is underway. 4CLS will develop materials on privacy
- Trustee Training will be set for late September/Early October
 - Aiming for evening & will be recorded
- Annual Sexual Harassment Training is coming around again. We're looking for other options instead of watching the same video
 - <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/cchr/law/sexual-harassment-training.page>
- We're working on distribution of the CARES Act Tablets. Look for more info soon
- Great Give Back:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1zwLOfd0TPgc5YZgY02w656Slaiqr1F1e>
- BCPL is working with a local vendor to sell discards on Amazon (splitting proceeds 50/50)
- BCPL is working on going fine free
 - FYI – the ILS using the charging library's circulation policies. So ILL materials checked out at a fine free library should not accrue overdue fines.
- For barcoding libraries – while Jan 1, 2021 was the original deadline for full automation, we expect DLD to be lenient for at least the first year.
- Next meeting – September 23 at 3 PM.