

Northland Library Cooperative

Director's Report

December, 2017

State Aid Report: The state aid report has been filed and the first half of Northland's state aid should arrive in December. It will be mailed to Charlevoix Public Library as that is our official address. If it arrives after my departure to Florida, the check will be sent by Charlevoix to Amy Knepp who will deposit it. This is the procedure we used last year.

Technology Workshop: The technology workshop held last week at TADL "Breaking Barriers" was a success. We had over 70 in attendance including 7 individuals from four libraries outside the cooperative. They each paid \$25.

Overdrive meeting: November 27 Maureen, Val and myself met with representatives from Mid Michigan Library League to discuss issues related to Overdrive (UpNorth Digital). A report will be given at the meeting.

National Library Legislative Day: This year's NLC budget has \$3,000 designated to send two members to Washington to participate in the National Library Legislative Day sponsored by ALA. A draft of the selection process is in your board packet, please review it and be prepared to discuss it.

Reciprocal Borrowing: Eleven libraries have submitted Reciprocal Borrowing Agreements. The list is in the board packet. The list will appear on the website when it goes live.

Library Enhancement Grants: Three libraries have submitted Library Enhancement Grant proposals. Please contact me if you have questions.

Website: The website will be live before I leave for Florida. The holdup has been with me. TADL has done a great job.

Connectivity with Director: My last day in Alpena will be December 13. I fly to Miami on the 14th and will be attending the Cooperative Directors meeting via conference call on Friday December 15. On the 16th I board ship, however I will have wi-fi on board so you can contact me via email. I fly back to Michigan December 23 and will be in Flint and Ohio during the holiday week. I will be available via email and phone during that time. January 2-4 I will be driving down to Florida but will still have email and phone accessibility. January to March 31 I will reside in Florida and conduct business as usual.

