

**Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation, Inc.
Automated Library Services 2025 (Symphony Users)
Minutes of the Meeting of September 11, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER: A meeting of the ALS 2025 (Symphony Users) group was held via Zoom audio/video conferencing service. The Chair, Bruce MacDonald, called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. ET.

Attending: Bruce MacDonald, Chair (Peter White Public Library), Tricia Wylie (Superiorland Library Cooperative), Jeremy Morelock (Superiorland Library Cooperative), Sharon Crotser (St. Ignace Public Library), Monique Ciofu (Escanaba Public Library), Janis Lubenow (UP Health System), Andra Ziemnick (Portage Lake District Library), Ellen Moore (Superiorland Library Cooperative), Pam Malmsten (Superiorland Library Cooperative), Megan Rose (Dickinson County Library), Nicole Johnson (Ishpeming Carnegie Library).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Megan and seconded by Andra. Unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF May 29th, 2025: The minutes of the ALS meeting of May 29th, 2025, were unanimously approved as presented in a motion by Tricia and seconded by Andra.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Pam presented the Financial Report. Bruce thanked Pam for all the extra work she has been doing over the past few months. Megan made a motion to approve both the Cash Disbursements and the Year-to-Date Report, seconded by Ellen, unanimously approved.

UPRLC Annual Conference Committee Report:

The UPRLC Conference is to be held next week in Iron Mountain, MI. "Back to Basics and Beyond", Sept 17th and 18th, 2025.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on myLIBRO App Implementation:

We are expecting push notifications at some point in the future. PWPL has featured the app on their newsletter, and over 400 patrons are using the app so far since they debuted the app to their patrons this summer. Jeremy showed the stats for patron app usage. Jeremy will demo this on his phone at the conference and encourage other libraries to tell their patrons about it. Each library's OPAC now has a promo graphic for the app linking to a page with the QR codes. New Arrivals section in the app is working correctly after some issues earlier this year.

BLUEcloud products updates:

Jeremy has heard from SirsiDynix that development continues on BLUEcloud Circ, with an increasing amount of resources put toward this product since the new

ownership is in charge. We are told to expect a major update to be released possibly in October. Jeremy will demo BLUEcloud Circ at the conference.

Enterprise updates:

Google preview working now except for Edge browser [note: this is now working!]. Novelist Plus links updated, and button in catalog. Large Print format now displaying for all large print items in catalog. Syndetics showing out of date holdings, which Jeremy will solve by exporting full MARC holdings to Syndetics soon. Still no solution to the problem preventing the removal of FRBRish (grouping) in catalog. Jeremy encourages libraries to have their Facebook feed in the catalog.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval of ALS FY 2024/2025 Final Budget Revision:

Pam presented the ALS FY 2024/25 Final Budget Revision. A motion was made to approve the budget revision by Monique and seconded by Megan, unanimously approved.

NEXT MEETING: The next ALS meeting will be held Thursday, February 5th, 2026, 11:00am ET.

Ellen mentioned that she will hold a memorial for Caroline Jordan, former librarian at PWPL and former SLC Board President, at the conference. Sadly, Caroline passed away recently.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 p.m. ET.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Morelock, Recorder