

**Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation, Inc.  
Automated Library Services 2026 (Symphony Users)  
Minutes of the Meeting of May 28, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER:** A meeting of the ALS 2026 (Symphony Users) group was held via Zoom audio/video conferencing service. The Chair, Bruce MacDonald, called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. ET.

**ATTENDING:** Bruce MacDonald, Chair (Peter White Public Library), Jeremy Morelock (Superiorland Library Cooperative), Meredith Sommers (Bayliss Public Library), Ellen Moore (Superiorland Library Cooperative), Pam Malmsten (Superiorland Library Cooperative), Amanda Griggs (Dickinson County Library).

**MEMBER COMMENTS:** no comments

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.** A motion to approve the agenda was made by Meredith, seconded by Amanda, and unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF May 28th, 2026:** The minutes of the ALS meeting of May 28th, 2026, were unanimously approved as presented in a motion by Amanda and seconded by Meredith.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Pam presented the Financial Report. Amanda made a motion to approve both the Cash Disbursements and the Year-to-Date Report, seconded by Meredith, unanimously approved.

**UPRLC ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Pam explained that UPRLC Conference is to be held in Marquette at the NMU Northern Center complex. "The Next Chapter," Monday, Sept 21st and Tuesday, Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026. Pam is excited about the location and the new NMU library. Bobbi Newman is confirmed as keynote speaker. *Library Leaders Panel Day* is the theme of day two, featuring guests from MLA and MCLS, possibly others. We are now asking for submissions for applications for breakout sessions. A block of hotel rooms is reserved for us at two hotels, so people can start making reservations now.

**UPRLC POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Pam told us that Tricia has begun a committee to update the UPRLC Policies, which were last updated in 2009. Anybody who wants to be on the committee can let Tricia and Pam know.

**UPRLC CATALOGING COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Ellen has begun organizing a Cataloging Committee. The need exists for a better cataloging policy that is meaningful for our members. Libraries are welcome to send a representative to this committee if they are interested. July 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am ET is the first meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

SaaS Server Migration:

Jeremy explained that our SirsiDynix hosted SaaS server of our data which is currently in Atlanta will be migrated to a new location this year in Des Moines. There is server maintenance being performed on specific dates. The next being Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. On that day from 12:00am until about 10:00am our Enterprise online catalogs will not be available. Certain reports will have to be suspended and run by Jeremy after the maintenance to avoid problems.

COSUGI Report:

This year's conference was held online. Jeremy said next year's conference will be in mid-March and will be in Salt Lake City. We typically pay to send one other person from one of our libraries, if anybody is interested in attending. They are still hyping the rollout of BLUEcloud Circulation. Others in attendance expressed that they are not switching their Circulation staff to using BLUEcloud Circ yet, just like our libraries. The company's main development this year is focused on BLUEcloud Discovery, the eventual replacement for the Enterprise catalog. Ellen had positive things to say about the A.I. search in BLUEcloud Discovery. She told us that the search is actually very transparent, showing the user how it translates your natural language search into a search string. BLUEcloud Circ can do all basic morning procedures of a Circ Desk. Jeremy encourages our libraries to try using BLUEcloud Circ. SirsiDynix now partners with SpringShare who use the LibCal product, if any of our libraries use that.

Update on myLIBRO App Implementation:

Superiorland Library Co-op patron app now has push notification within the app for Holds and Overdues. Please let Jeremy know if you would like us to enable the app notifications for your library.

**MEMBER COMMENTS:** no comments

**NEXT MEETING:** The next ALS meeting will be held Thursday, September 10th, 2026, 11:00am ET.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:41 a.m. ET.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeremy Morelock, Recorder