

ODIN Advisory Council Online Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 24, 2022 – 1pm-3pm CST / 12pm-2pm MST

Attendance:

Kelly Kornkven, OAC Chair/Mayville State Univ	Jane LaPlante, Minot State University
Ellen Kotrba, Director of ODIN	Mary Soucie, ND State Librarian
Jolie Johnston, Lake Region State College	Katie Wenke, Williston State College
Michele Seil, Carrington City Library	Jodi French, CTS
Marlene Anderson, Bismarck State College	Catie Palsgraaf, ND Supreme Court Law Library
Phyllis Kuno, Trinity Bible College	Mike Jan, ND State Hospital Library
Susan Moberg, Dickinson Public Schools	Hallie Pritchett, NDSU Libraries
Tuya Dutton, University of Jamestown	Traci Lund, Divide County Public & Elementary School Library
Rita Ennen, Dickinson Area Public Library	Linda Allbee, ODIN
Monica Struck, Dickinson State University	Jason Bedsaul, ODIN
Jennifer Jenness, Valley City State University	Liz Mason, ODIN
Erika Johnson, UND School of Medicine & Health Sciences	Lynn Wolf, ODIN
Hattie Albertson, Dakota College at Bottineau	

1:03pm – Meeting called to order

No additions to agenda

Approval of the November 16, 2021, Minutes – Mary Soucie moves, Tuya Dutton seconds. All in favor, none opposed.

1:05pm – ODIN Director's Report (Ellen Kotrba)

- Polaris – Polaris 7.1 has been released, and ODIN expects it to be implemented on the training server March 16, 2022. After testing by ODIN staff, the new release will be loaded onto the production server.

There has been quite a lot of Leap downtime in the past 6-8 months. Polaris was able to bring the system back quickly in each case, but ODIN told Polaris that it was not up to its standard and must be resolved. It was finally determined by Polaris to be due to remote searching of other databases for the purpose of cataloging. Polaris implemented a patch February 6, 2022, and ODIN has not received any reports of the system going down since then.

Clarivate has completed its acquisition of ProQuest, and the branding on logos for ProQuest, innovative, and Ex Libris is showing that.

Polaris documents: <https://innovative.libguides.com/polaris/welcome>

Innovative Users Group (IUG) virtual annual meeting, April 5-8, 2022. Lynn is putting together a

[webpage listing sessions](#) believed to be customer oriented. Ellen will put out an email about this and ODIN can pay for one seat per library. (You can always put the presentation in a room and many staff can view it there.)

- Alma & Primo VE – Beginning in August 2022, Ex Libris is switching to a quarterly release schedule, with bug fixes still happening monthly. New features are always released to the sandboxes two weeks before they are released into production.

Alma release notes:

https://knowledge.exlibrisgroup.com/Alma/Release_Notes/2022/Alma_2022_Release_Notes

Primo VE release notes:

https://knowledge.exlibrisgroup.com/Primo/Release_Notes/002Primo_VE/2022/010Primo_VE_2022_Release_Notes

The Sandboxes were refreshed 2/13/2022 and Ginny sent out login information to all the libraries.

ELUNA (Ex Libris User Group of North America <https://el-una.org/>)- Annual meeting in May 2022 will be online. Watch for details coming in March 2022. There is no fee for this meeting. ELUNA Developers Day will also be a virtual event.

UMWUG (Upper MidWest Users Group) – a regional user group which includes North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, and Wisconsin.

- ODIN Tech Talk – *SUSHI & Counter 5* in January by Jason. If anyone needs assistance implementing SUSHI and Counter 5 please let Jason know. The recorded session is at <https://www.odin.nodak.edu/events/odin-workdays/odin-tech-talks-counter5-and-sushi> Tuya noted that Jason helped her set it up so she could do it herself, and found it very useful and good timing.

Future ODIN Tech Talk topics? What do you see in the marketplace that you'd like to learn more about? Jane LaPlante would like to suggest EBSCO's Panorama product for analytics. It creates dashboards for Alma, EZ Proxy, and LibGuides. Mary Soucie pointed out that there could be procurement implications by having vendors come in to talk. Ellen said these are more informational without plans for a rfp.

- Directors – left or leaving since last OAC meeting
 - Carissa Hansen / WFP (left)
 - Staci Green / NDI (left)
 - Margo Burthold / CRM (leaving)
 - Angela Jutila / Lakota (leaving)Please put in a ticket with the ODIN Office when you have staffing changes so we can keep our information up to date.
- New TEAMS phone numbers for ODIN Office staff
 - Ellen Kotrba – 792-6265
 - Linda Allbee – 792-6202

- Jason Bedsaul – 969-9135
- Lynn Wolf – 792-6336
- Ginny Millette – 792-6283
- Liz Masson – 792-6275
- Nicole Murphy – 969-9159
- The main emergency number 701-777-ODIN (6346) is still in force and did not change.

1:23pm State Librarian Report (Mary Soucie)

- Staff updates
 - New staff: Fiscal and Administrative Services Director Laural Sehn began at the end of November
- Current vacancies:
 - Information Services Assistant (formerly called ILL)
 - Patron Services Director
 - Reader's Advisor (Talking Books)
- Library Vision Grants- Next grant opportunities July 1
Marketing grant Phase II – open to any library that has received a phase I grant or has a marketing plan
Libraries of Things- open to all publicly funded academic, public, k-12 libraries.

ARPA (America Rescue Plan Act) update – The State Library is working on a cataloging grant for public libraries that are not automated or are using free/limited software. The libraries will be added ODIN. They are requiring a six-year commitment: three years paid by the State Library, the retrospective conversion paid by the ARPA dollars, and three years paid by the library. There has been quite a lot of interest. The State library has requested quotes from ODIN for about 8 libraries, and two have confirmed that they are interested in moving forward.

The State Library will be using ARPA dollars to pay for database fees for North Dakota libraries for Fiscal Year 2023 (the database fees of MINITEX bill).

1:33pm ODIN Governance Discussion

- Mary, Linda, and Michele met to start discussion on ODIN governance documents. One issue that came up is whether we need to continue to have a steering committee (OSC). Originally the steering committee met monthly to handle issues between the semi-annual advisory committee meetings. The context or the origin of the steering committee was also discussed. Now both are meeting quarterly online. It was thought important to settle this issue before continuing work on the governance documents. One struggle with the steering committee was getting all library types represented. Perhaps an executive committee and/or a vice chair would be an option. Maybe short-term ad hoc committee to examine an issue would be more effective.
- Kelly will send out a survey to gauge libraries' opinion on the steering committee. To finalize the disbanding of the steering committee, that could be done by OAC vote on the updated governance documents. Vote will be done by mail, so every library will have an opportunity to vote.
- In-person meeting in the Spring – Smaller libraries from the far west side of the state find it difficult to spare time for travel to face-to-face meetings. Is a hybrid meeting an option- some attend in

person and others attend online? All the NDUS schools have Teams capability classrooms as well as the State Library, so finding a space for it should be possible.

- ODIN Advisory Committee name change? Does anyone have a name to suggest that they like better?

2:05pm ODIN Tech Talk suggestions for topics

- Accessibility web tools- what is already built-in and some accessibility checkers.

2:09pm Cost Formula Update for Academic libraries

- The committee's last meeting was Jan. 13, and Ellen offered 6 options. The idea was suggested of percentages for post-graduates, research institutions, etc. Nothing definitive has been settled upon. Trying to come up with a formula that is equitable and fair. Ex Libris is billing on FTE, bibliographic count, unique electronic journals, and [named users](#). Ellen hopes to have something more equitable.

2:23pm Open OSC position

- Since Staci Green has left, she represented academic libraries. After the previous discussion this will remain open until receiving feedback from the survey about the existence of the OSC.

2:24pm Member Updates

- Kelly Kornkven (Mayville State) – does not anticipate being able to replace Aubrey Madler.
- Erika Johnson (UND Med School) – business as usual.
- Tuya Dutton (University of Jamestown) – has finished IPEDS. Has notes for next year so hopefully it will be easier.
- Jane LaPlante (Minot State University) – They are scanning yearbooks, six are completed so far. The new instruction librarian, Mara West, has a degree in history and knows a lot about scanning. The alumni really like it. It is going a lot faster because they received a grant for a new scanner. They are looking forward to replacing Susan Podrygula's position. The opening is for electronic resources and collection management librarian.
- Katie Wenke (Williston State University) – large possibility that they will be able to hire a new librarian/learning commons coordinator in July.
- Monica Struck (Dickinson State University) – it is her second day back at work, and still trying to get her feet beneath her.
- Jennifer Jenness (Valley City State University) – two days of strategic planning workshops last week. They are planning their book March Madness event right after spring break. The theme is book adaptations, so people have been nominating movies, tv shows, plays, games and anything that they can think of that is a book adaptation.
- Jolie Johnston (Lake Region State College) – things are going well, she is busy learning everything.

2:33pm ECOR and Leganto

- Won't discuss today because a lot of people had to leave the meeting. There was a large group presentation about Leganto which has reporting in analytics. However, the discussion held afterward in the ODIN ECOR group felt that there was a lot of effort to create reading lists. Who is going to do that work? Can you get faculty to do it? How do you get faculty to use the Leganto

reading lists instead of just posting links in their Blackboard shell? The group also has an interest in a shared system repository for OER materials. Course OER books that could be used by all campuses for example, a calculus book, that could be used at all campuses for the intro to calculus course.

- Staci Green was the library representative on the NDUS ECOR committee, and now we don't have a library representative. There is uncertainty how Staci was on the committee, or whether we could recommend a replacement. It would be good to recommend someone who has knowledge/experience with OER materials and electronic resources and licensing. If anyone is interested or would like to suggest someone, let Kelly know.
- Monica would be willing to demo the Leganto integration with Blackboard at a future ODIN Tech Talk.
- There was discussion of the Leganto analytics and viewing the usage by student and privacy concerns. At Mayville they have a policy that they will share the number of students that used a reserve item with faculty but not the students' identities. VCSU has the same policy. Jane stated that the NDCC forbids libraries from sharing that information.

2:56pm Adjourn