

The background of the slide features a soft-focus image of autumn leaves. A large, prominent leaf in shades of red and orange is on the left side. Other leaves in yellow and orange are scattered across the top and right. The overall color palette is warm and seasonal.

# ODIN DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Fall OAC Meeting – Jason Bedsaul

September 8, 2024

# Overview

- General Updates
- Alma
- Polaris
- ODIN Billing
- ILL Bridge RFI
- Other Ongoing Project Updates



# Welcome Back!

- Please Verify your [Library Details](#) on the ODIN Website
  - Current Contact Information,
  - Staff Directory,
  - and ILL Information.
- [Let us know](#) if any updates are needed.
- Please provide Name, Title, Phone #, and Email address for new staff.

# Library Staff Changes

- Minot State University – Jolene Nechiporenko
- New England Schools – Alicia Sonsalla (temporary)
- Grafton High School – Krystie Thiele
  
- Valley City State University – Vacant

# New Member - Central Valley Public Schools

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- K-12 in Buxton, ND
- Gary Suchor is the Librarian/ HS English Teacher
- Will be Automating this Fall
- ETA Go Live Spring 2025

Central Valley  
Public School

# TeamDynamix Planned Maintenance

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- **Monday, Sept. 16th at 5PM CST - Tuesday Sept. 17th at 10AM CST**
- Enhancing reporting abilities and other “internal” improvements
- Libraries should not see any changes
- Will Not be able to submit new tickets nor receive updates on existing tickets during the maintenance window
- Email: [odinhelp@listserv.nodak.edu](mailto:odinhelp@listserv.nodak.edu)

# Alma Updates

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# Alma Updates

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- August Feature Release Highlights:
  - New Consortia Dashboard (ODIN Office)
  - UI improvements for Resource Sharing and Fulfillment
  - Additional fields available for Physical Items
  - Primo – bulk export all Search results (max 5000 records)
  - <https://www.odin.nodak.edu/events/announcement/almaprime-august-feature-release-overview>
- In the Sandboxes....
  - New Title Search and Circulation Desk UI are available in UND-SB
  - Everyone has access to both Sandboxes now





- Vendor-neutral marketplace for academic content from within Alma
- NDSU implemented earlier this year
- Demo on Monday, September 16th at 11 AM CT [Click here to join the meeting](#)

- A quick overview:  
<https://about.proquest.com/en/products-services/Rialto/>
- Some technical details:  
<https://knowledge.exlibrisgroup.com/Rialto>

# Rialto Demo



# Leganto Demos and Discussions

- Enhanced options for managing course material lists
- Renewed interest in Leganto from some libraries
- If you or your library are interested, let us know

# AI – “Research Assistant”

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- ProQuest/ExLibris are adding AI options to all their platforms
- “Research Assistant” (Search assistant tools) will be available at no charge\*
- Now available in PrimoVE
  - Semantic search
  - Answers with references, based on the top 5 abstracts
  - Answers based on results found in the Central Discovery Index (CDI)
  - Links to the full text
  - Links to the full result list in Primo
  - Search suggestions to help the user expand the topic and learn more about it
- More advanced AI tools are in development; will be coming later with additional costs

\*Research Assistant for Web of Science will be an additional cost

# Ex Libris Contract Renewal

- Current Extension runs through FY25
- Existing contract has one more 2-year renewal option
- Considerations:
  - 3 years remaining till required RFP review (FY29)
  - Tribal College interest and conflict with existing terms
  - Alternative Systems – FOLIO, WorldShare, Symphony, other?
- Quick Poll

# Polaris Updates

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# MEEP Enhancements coming for 7.7 (Dec/Jan)

- More Find Tool enhancements:
  - Shortcut keys added for Find Tool and related activities
  - Multiselect (Shift + Click) Records
  - STICKY FILTERS!!!
- Non-blocking notes suppression
- Simply Report results to Record Set

VOTED!

When searching in Leap, any applied filters are automatic the search box is closed. It would be beneficial to have the filters stick from search to search. A good example is in 1 it would be extremely helpful if the patron assigned library staff would always begin an initial search for patrons with place.

Idea Value

Time savings would be gained if staff did not have to select each time a search was conducted - such as selecting the library filter when looking for patrons within their library, or when looking for items within their library.



[Linda Allbee](#) shared this idea · May 19, 2020 · Report...

How important is this to you?

Nice to Have

Important

Critical



**PLANNED** · [Samantha Quell](#) (Admin, Innovative) responded · Aug 2

We found a way to solve for this while working on the record Leap. This will be included in Polaris 7.7 through the record saving filters as part of saved searches.

[Show previous admin responses \(1\)](#)

# Permissions Project



PERMISSIONS OVERHAUL OVER  
THE SUMMER



NON-OWNED RECORDS/REQUESTS  
ARE READ ONLY



CURRENT AND PAST CIRC INFO  
LIMITED BY LIBRARY

# ILL-optional trial for K-12

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- Trial run for this school year
- Offered opt-out option to all 17 school-only libraries
- Received 10 responses so far - 6 out, 4 in
- Expect the other 7 to be opt-out
- Changes:
  - Agrees to neither borrow nor lend
  - Remove library from all RTF processing
  - Prevent patron requests from other libraries in the PAC
  - Holds limited to only the school's patrons and location
  - Can 'opt-in' at anytime



# Remote Client IP Restriction

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**Access to Remote Client/Server will soon be IP restricted**

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ODIN gave a list to Innovative of Library IPs and VPNs

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Innovative also pulled a list of recently used IPs

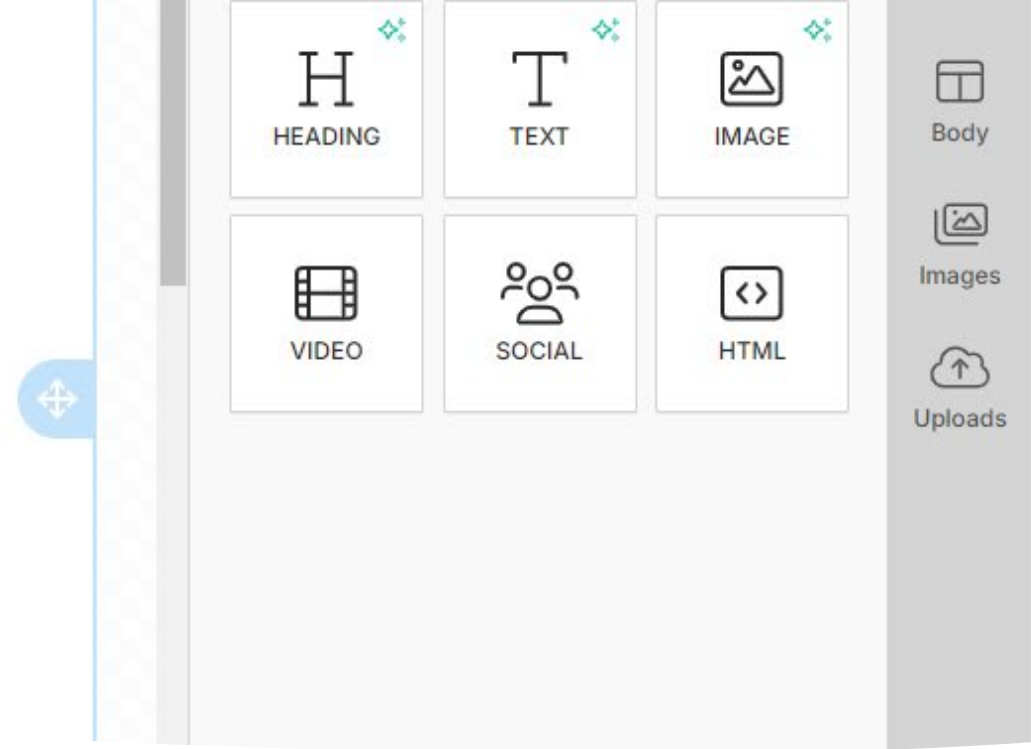
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**If you only access Polaris via LEAP (most folks), then this will not impact you.**

# SMS Issues

- Support for “Email to Text” is being phased out by several Carriers (T-Mobile, Sprint, AT&T)
- Overall move to reduce spam...and perhaps some financial motivation from “registered numbers”
- Current recommendation: do not rely on SMS as the primary notification option
- ODIN office update upon request; saved impacted patrons in sets to revert once solution is in place.
- Discussion on options a little later in meeting

Hi Jason,  
YOU HAVE A BILL



## Vega LX Starter

- Templated Editing options for most notices
- Enhanced security (DKIM/DMARC) Compliant
- Ready for setup soon
- Emails will now 'come' from [odinlibrary.org](mailto:odinlibrary.org)
  - Ex: [leach.public.library@odinlibrary.org](mailto:leach.public.library@odinlibrary.org)
  - Patrons that reply will go to 'correct' email.

# ODIN FY25 Billing

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# Some Changes to the Process

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- **All formulas and inputs remain the same**
- Summary of changes:
  - Delivered electronically
  - Combined billing – all charges on one bill
  - Emailed from: [ndus.cts.arinvoices@ndus.edu](mailto:ndus.cts.arinvoices@ndus.edu)
- Still two payment options: ACH and Mail
- All bills have been sent
- Simplified explanation went out with each bill
- Reach out if you have questions on HOW the numbers are calculated.

## **Online Dakota Information Network (ODIN)**

c/o NDUS Core Technology Services

PO Box 13597

Grand Forks, ND 58208-3597

(701) 777-6346

[ndus.cts.arinvoices@ndus.edu](mailto:ndus.cts.arinvoices@ndus.edu)



# Academic

- FY25 total: **\$513,932**.
- Current Cost Sharing formula: Membership + “Items” (\$**0.0317**) + Active Patrons (\$**2.0817**)

ODIN Base Membership	# of Units	Base Cost	Total
NDUS Research	2	40,000	80,000
NDUS Baccalaureate	4	15,000	60,000
Private or Tribal > 100,000 Items	1	15,000	15,000
NDUS Post-Graduate	2	10,000	20,000
NDUS Community College	5	5,000	20,000
Private or Tribal < 100,000 Items	1	5,000	5,000
		<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$205,000</b>

# Public, School, and Special

- FY25 Total: **\$215,894**
- Current Cost Sharing formula: Membership + “Items”  
(\$0.0532) + Active Patrons (\$0.8638)

ODIN Base Membership	# of Units	Cost	Total
North Dakota State Library	1	35,000	35,000
Public/School >50,000 & up Items	3	10,000	30,000
Public/School 10,001-49,999 Items	17	1,000	19,000
Public/School <10,000 Items	26	500	12,000
Special Libraries <20,000 items	4	300	1,200
Total PKS Units:	51		96,200

# ILL 'Bridge' RFI (Statewide Resource Sharing)

- ODIN and NDSL are working towards implementing a statewide ILL solution
- NDSL added to their ask for the next biennium
- If funded, ODIN would lead RFP and provide ongoing training and logistical support.
- A small committee worked on the RFI – ODIN Office, NDSL, Fargo Public Library, and CDLN
- Three vendors responded: OCLC (Groups), Clarivate (Lyra), Index Data (ReShare)
- Working on supporting testimony, documents, and figures for a fiscal note



# EBSCO New UI

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- Some Libraries have made the transition already
  - Proxy Stanza updates need to happen at the same time
- Please either let us know when you open the case with EBSCO or ask us to put in the request for you so we can limit the down time

# Other Ongoing ODIN Projects

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ACADEMIC FUNDING  
FORMULA COMMITTEE



ACADEMIC SEARCH COMPLETE  
PURCHASE FOR FY26



MEESCAN CONTRACT

# Questions?

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# Reach Out!

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Help Ticket:  
<https://www.odin.nodak.edu/helpticket>