



ODIN DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Winter OAC Meeting – Jason Bedsaul

December 9, 2024

Overview

- General Updates
- Polaris Updates
- Alma Updates
- Academic Cost Sharing Formula
- ILL Bridge RFI
- Other Ongoing Project Updates



Library Staff Changes

Director Changes

- Valley City State University – Tuya Dutton
- University of Jamestown – Amanda Walsh
- UND Law - Jonathan Voigt

OAC Appointment

- UND Med – Jessica Gilbert-Redman (ODIN liaison)



ODIN Office Staff Updates – NDLA Participation

- Liz – Co-chair of the Membership Committee
- Tina – Chair of Academic and Special Libraries
- Jason – President-elect





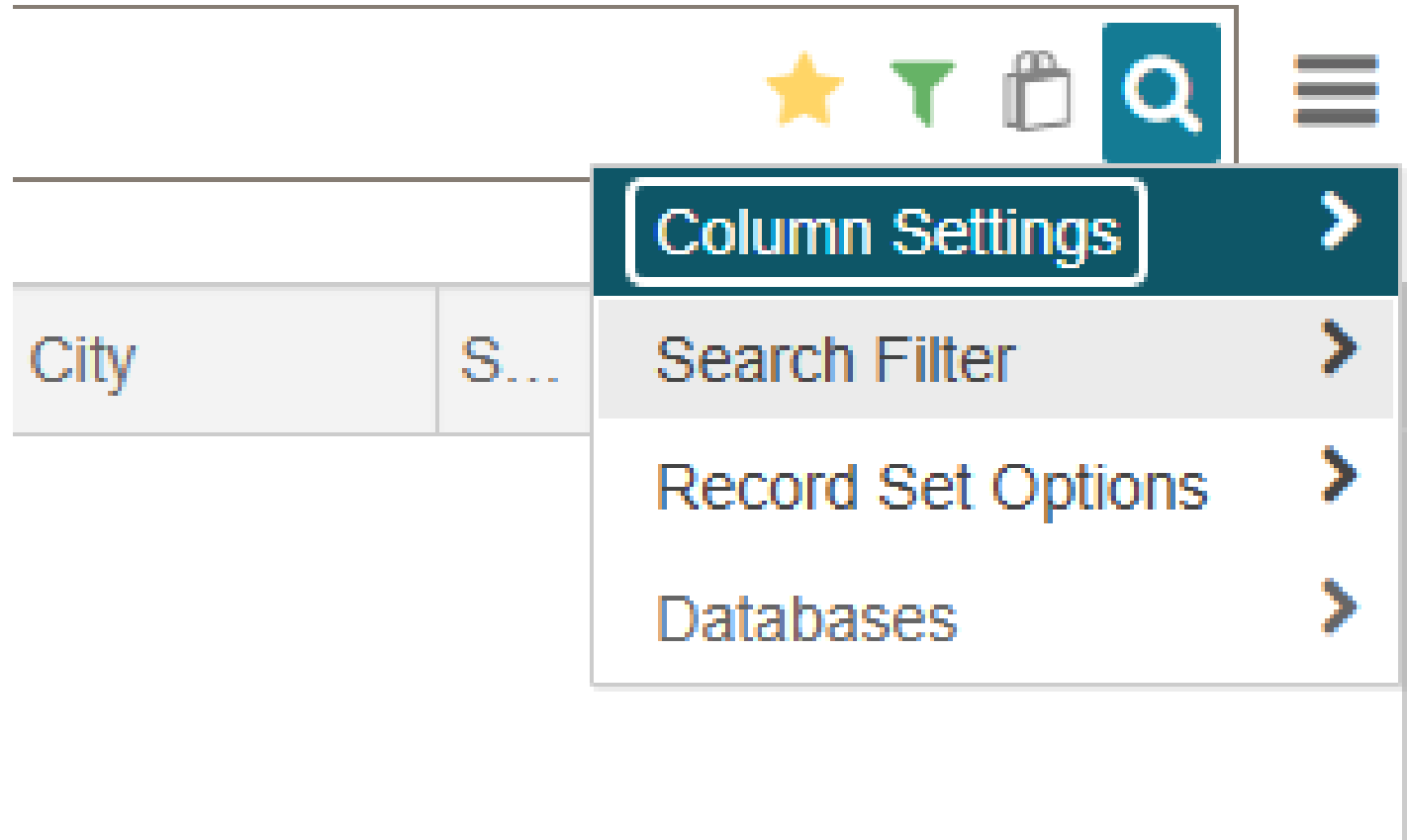
Polaris Updates

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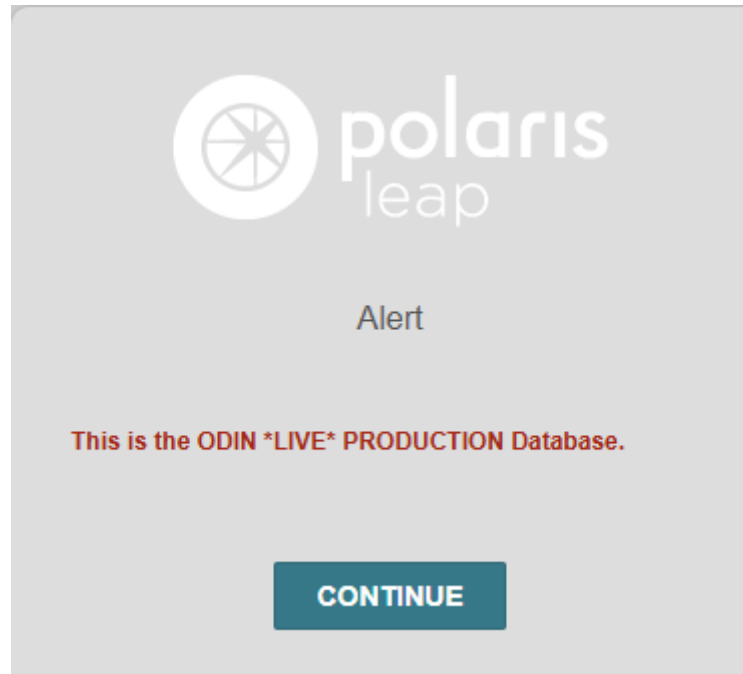
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Polaris 7.7 Upgrade

- On Training now; ODIN office testing/preparing
- Production scheduled for Jan 6
 - LEAP Find Tool: Recent Searches Saved, Multiselect (Shift + Click) Records, **Sticky Filters**
 - Improvements to Cataloging/Metadata Editor



Removing Alert from Production



SMS Issue

- Explored options for a comprehensive solution (all notices in one place/platform) as well as SMS only
- Group determined to go with SMS-only at this time
- Procurement now requires ALL software contracts to go through RFP regardless of costs
- Plan is for ODIN Office/CTS Procurement to complete this internally

Vega LX Starter

- Enhanced Email notices (only) option
- Separate tool/interface from LEAP
- SMS notices will be a separate tool/interface
- Ready for setup now for anyone
- DKIM/DMARC Complaint (should greatly reduce email bounce rate)



Alma Updates



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Alma Updates

- November Feature Release Highlights:
 - ODIN Overview Recording
 - <https://www.odin.nodak.edu/events/announcement/almaprime-november-feature-release-overview>
 - New UI Experiences
 - Manage Patron Services; Title Search
 - AI features added and enhanced
 - New Metadata Assistance (Preview Mode); Research Assistant (Primo) Improvements
 - Primo New Discovery Experience (NDE) – General release May 2025


✦ Enrich Record With AI Assistant

Enrichment will be done according to the metadata in the record. You may also upload images of the book. In order for the AI assistant to be able to enrich the record, it will be released and locked for editing. The enriched draft will be pushed to MDE when ready.

Title

The big book of tiny art : a modern, inspirational guide to the art of the miniature /

Attachments

Upload up to 2 images of the book (e.g. back cover, colophon) 

Drop a file or [Browse files](#)

Cancel

Enrich Record



Education

ELUNA Learns Recorded Sessions

- Included with our Membership
 - [ELUNA learns – Acquisitions – 10/16/2024](#)
 - [ELUNA learns – Workflows - 10/23/2024](#)
 - [ELUNA learns – Alma Admin Configurations – 10/30/2024](#)
 - [ELUNA learns – Discovery – 11/6/2024](#)
 - [ELUNA learns – Emerging Technologies – 11/13/2024](#)
 - [ELUNA learns – Fulfillment – 11/20/2024](#)
 - [ELUNA learns – Resource Management – 12/4/2024](#)
 - [ELUNA learns – Resource Sharing/Course Materials – 12/11/2024](#)



Ex Libris Signature Success Program

Program Guidelines

- Define areas of focus to improve Ex Libris Software solutions and services for ODIN,
- Create data-driven metrics that are measurable (SMART),
- Adopt/Adapt our processes and workflows, and,
- Provide a business report with best practices that will better leverage our existing tools and platforms.
- Report and recommendations will be delivered by late Fall/early winter 2025.

Initial Focuses:

1. All platforms meeting the new ADA federal guidelines (WCAG 2.0 Level AA) prior to July 1, 2025.
2. Alma Analytics guidance and improving deliverable dashboards, metrics, and reports.
3. AI Exploration and adoption strategies.
4. Statewide ILL Initiative Support (legislative funding dependent)
5. Statewide Authentication Initiative Support (legislative action dependent)

ILL 'Bridge' (Statewide Resource Sharing)

- ODIN and NDSL are working towards a statewide ILL solution for ALL ND libraries
- NDSL added to their budget ask for the next biennium and it is **included in the governor's recommendations for "Large IT Projects"**
- If funded, ODIN would lead RFP and provide ongoing training and logistical support.



Academic Cost Sharing Formula Committee

- Comparing our model to multiple other consortia – CARLI, MnPALS, GALILEO, Orbis Cascade
- Developed multiple formulas with various inputs and blends
- Hoping to bring recommendations to the next OAC in March



Meescan Contract

- We FINALLY have an executed contract
- Working on getting existing contracts rolled under with discounts applied (MOU's coming soon)
- Will revisit with other interested libraries next



Questions?



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