

# Update from the Executive Director

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## Upcoming Events

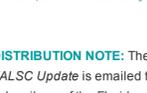
MCLS: The Members Council on Library Services will meet Dec. 5-6 at the Florida Virtual Campus, Tallahassee.

## FALSC Wants Your News!

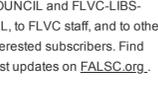
We like to share news about the [libraries and library staff](#) of Florida's public colleges and universities. Please email us items! We would appreciate information on hires, promotions, awards, presentations, library initiatives, renovations, building projects, and any other items you'd like to pass on.

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Hello, Everyone,

Even though the temperatures are still in the 90s during the day here in north Florida, I swear I can still catch a hint of fall in the air. Maybe it is wishful thinking, but I'm still looking forward to cooler mornings as the next few weeks go by.

By now, students at your institutions have likely settled into the rhythm of another academic year. For new students, there's likely still a sense of shock at the newness of it all, but for seasoned students, I'm sure it feels like they're right back at home.

I'm sure that many of us breathed a sigh of relief at the near-miss we were given by Hurricane Dorian. We all grieve deeply for the citizens of the Bahamas as they struggle to recover in the aftermath of such a destructive experience. Although Dorian avoided Florida, we made the decision to cancel two major meetings, the Members Council on Library Services (MCLS) Standing Committees Strategic Planning Meeting and the regularly scheduled MCLS meeting. The discussion and content planned for these meetings are critical, so we are working with the MCLS Executive Committee to reschedule both events. We will make an announcement soon regarding scheduling and locations (which may be virtual).

As you read through the remainder of this month's FALSC Update, you'll learn more about some of the exciting work underway. I'm especially pleased by the progress of our project to implement OpenAthens as a new authentication and usage platform. We know that budgets for e-resources, both at the statewide level and at the institution level, will always be challenging, and the dramatically enhanced options for collection and analysis of usage data and connections with student success outcomes that will be made possible by OpenAthens will be essential in our ongoing efforts to secure additional funding for e-resources. Speaking of e-resources, I'm also excited to see the dramatic increase in participation of the Group Licensing program, whereby FALSC negotiates with vendors for preferred pricing for our libraries for resources to be purchased from the local library budgets. As you'll see below, the usage of this service has increased dramatically, which I believe demonstrates the value of this service is provided by our e-resources team under the leadership of Rachel Erb.

I wish all the best to each of you for another fall semester!




**Elijah Scott**,  
FALSC Executive Director

## GOVERNANCE & ADVISORY PROCESSES

To download materials from past MCLS and Executive Committee meetings, go to [FALSC.org](#).

The next MCLS Quarterly Meeting will be held December 5-6, 2019 at FLVC Tallahassee Offices. More details to come.

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## LIBRARY SUPPORT & TRAINING

The first three institutions in our OpenAthens implementation have successfully connected to FLVCnet and our EBSCO implementation team has begun the vendor outreach to get their resources connected to OpenAthens. We are still aiming to "GoLive" for these sites over the Christmas break. We are now in the process of selecting sites for the next two waves of implementation. We are selecting sites for priority in implementation based on 3 criteria:

- Stated library readiness
- Local identity and SSO systems that are most immediately compatible with FLVCnet and
- Local IT staffing readiness and availability to get connected to FLVCnet.

If you are a library that wishes to implement OpenAthens as early as possible, you can have your local IT staff connect with our IT staff at FALSC and begin the work to connect to FLVCnet ahead of time to make for quicker implementation. Send an email to [Brian Erb](#) or submit a case to [help@falsc.org](#) and specify that you would "like to begin the work to connect to FLVCnet" and provide an IT contact who can coordinate the identity and SSO connection work required on your end. Also, feel free to email me if you have any questions about the process.

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## INTEGRATED LIBRARY SERVICES

### Next Generation Integrated Library System ITN

The Negotiation Team has been created by UWF Procurement and FALSC. The team has begun negotiations. Updates will continue to be posted on the [Integrated Library System ITN LibGuide](#).

FALSC would like to thank everyone who participated in the ITN process. We appreciate all the hard work of both the [Evaluation Team](#) and all the [Reviewers](#) across the state! **We all continue to be under UWF Procurement's Cone of Silence until negotiations are complete.**

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## Library Projects and Services

For College Libraries Only: FALSC is in the process of **implementing an Aleph service to remove old UBorrow requests in AlephILL for both Borrowing and Lending queues**. The Aleph service will automatically remove old requests that are 30 days old or more **AND** have one of the following statuses: Closed, Deleted, Cancelled or Unfilled. The first step in the process is to remove the backlog of older statuses. We expect the service to be running regularly by the end of September. The university libraries already have this service running.

In early September, **FALSC sent the annual book holdings updates for the eleven participating SUS libraries to RapidILL**, for the Book Chapter Lending Service.

On Thursday, September 12, FALSC hosted a **webinar to review using the link resolver with PubMed's Outside Tool service as NLM sunsets the previously used LinkOut services**. A recording of the webinar is posted on the [FALSC Webinars LibGuides](#).

FALSC will present a **webinar in mid-October on ebooks**. The webinar is geared toward college staff and will cover the process involved to batch load MARC records and making them available to patrons in Mango.

FALSC is working with Warren D. Allen Music Library at Florida State University to set up Aleph Acquisitions for that library. Allen Music Library went live July 1, 2019, and is currently setting up budgets and ordering.

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## Centralized Data Loads, Extracts, and Reports

### Ad hoc reports for various institutions were prepared on:

- Number of patrons by patron status
- New items by fiscal year in specific call number ranges for specific sub-libraries
- Reports of DVD for specific sub-library with specific item processing statuses List of bib doc numbers with multiple 035 fields that belong to the requesting institution, and including other institutions that also have holdings for the requested bib.
- List of titles that had items added during specific fiscal years for requesting institution
- Ran a modified C070 LRA report with due date included as an extra column
- Answered multiple questions/problem reports that were about specific ARROW, LRS or client reports, and guided several users to client reports that would answer their query
- Converted ARROW reports from circ logger to circ events log

### Recent data loading and modification projects include:

- LAPS FCS Statistics
  - # of patron loads - 494
  - # of borrower records added - 125,402
  - # of e-book Records added/updated - 55,188
  - # of EDI transmissions - 47
  - # of orders - 831
  - # of records extracted for EDS - 2,534,323
  - # of items purged via batch - 13,947
  - # of e-resources deleted - 564
  - # of Enhanced AcqOrder Titles - 197
- LAPS SUS Statistics
  - # of SUS GPO Loaded - 7,647
  - # of bibliographic records deleted from UXU01 - 0
  - # of SUS e-books processed - 361
  - # of Cassidy Law e-books processed - 616
  - # of EBSCO Holdings Link Management Records Loaded - 0
  - # of EBSCO HLM Records Modified - 0
  - # of EBSCO HLM Records Deleted - 0
- LAPS FCS/SUS Statistics
  - # of PDA01 Records Loaded - 115,469
  - # of PDA01 Records Deleted - 26,166

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## E-RESOURCES

### Statewide Collection 2020

The negotiation activities between FALSC and vendors are mostly complete. We are waiting for several quotes for a third-party product that should be received no later than the end of September. We are also in the process of negotiating a few agreements associated with the statewide collection: NewsBank, De Gruyter Research Now, and Lexis Nexis. The E-Resources Unit will continue to collaborate with the CMESC in refining collection assessment practices to assist with collection decisions for 2021.

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### Group Licensing 2020

We are currently working with vendors to obtain pricing for round 1. This year, we have a record number of item requests—1050; this exceeds last year's number by 256. After we receive responses, we will obtain the first round of pricing.

If you have any questions, please contact [Amanda Yesilbas](#) and [Leigh Mihrad](#) or the [FLVC Help Desk](#).

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## Consortia Manager

We are ready to deliver the configuration files to Consortia Manager's project lead the week of September 16th. There were a few delays due to manual extractions and compilations. We completed most of our workflow meetings with the project lead and are currently wrapping up workflows associated with group licensing. Beginning in March, there will be another phase of the project that will include a soft launch and training for members.

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## DIGITAL SERVICES and OER

### Libguides

- Just a quick reminder to check out our new LibGuides. Please let us know what you think or if you need new or different information provided.

### Islandora

- Display changes to the way copyright statements (RightsStatements.org) are seen in the search interface were made to Islandora sites. Specific details were circulated via the Islandora SubGroup (ISG) listserv. As a reminder, any Islandora sites in the Islandora system are able to batch insert RightsStatements.org values to records. More information regarding the use of these statements and how to request an insert is available at <http://falsc.libguides.com/copyrightstatementsdigitalandoer>.

### Florida OJ

- Attention libraries with journals using Florida OJ: A known bug has been identified in which a small fraction (at this time, 4 known occurrences) of "Reviewer assigned" emails sent automatically by the software are not received by the intended recipients. Please be on the lookout for, and promptly report to [help@flvc.org](#) any potential issues involving an automated email that was not received by reviewer.

### PALMM

- Please let us know if you have an idea for a shared collection topic or if you have content that you want to have included in our current collections, <http://palmw.fcja.edu/>.

### Demo Index

- The demo index can be seen at <http://testcat.flvc.org/digital/>. Any feedback on the demo site can be provided to [help@flvc.org](#).

### Review Standards for OER

- Please encourage your campus community to submit their requirements and review standards for course textbooks and learning resources. Submission can be received online, [https://uwf.co.1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_1FvKpRVSEum3z](https://uwf.co.1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1FvKpRVSEum3z).

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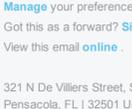
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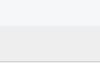
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