

Migration Update

November 17, 2017

The TLN staff had a kickoff meeting with CARL staff on Wednesday and we received a detailed migration plan that we are reviewing. Highlights include:

- Equipment ordered--November
- First data extract--December 1
- Design of staff modules--December-February
- Design of public interface--January-February
- Build initial system--March 1-15
- TLN staff training--April 2-9
- Local library staff training--May 1-14
- Data and functionality testing--April 16-May 3
- Final data extracts--May
- Transaction file frozen--May 25, end of day
- Live on CARL--May 29

The above is a summary of a seven page document that lists over 160 separate tasks that need to be accomplished before the final migration. All dates leading to May 29 are approximate. The design phase is the most critical. TLN staff will be learning how the CARL system operates and will be transferring the library policies that exist in Symphony (the 10,000 line circ map) to the CARL client. The training sessions listed above will be offered by CARL staff and the dates may change. TLN staff hopes to be able to offer additional sessions later in May and video tutorials will also be available.

This is a very brief summary of what will happen over the next six months and we are just one step ahead of you in the learning curve. I know that you have many questions and so do we! Please be patient as we gather information. We will attempt to answer your questions as quickly as we can, so please send them to me and I will respond as quickly as I can.

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