

Wisconsin Public Library Consortium
Digital Library Steering Committee Meeting Notes

May 21, 2020 at 1:00 PM

*Teleconference meeting held via Zoom

ATTENDEES: Abby Armour (Johnson Creek/BLS), Annie Bahringer (Hustisford/MLS), Eric Branske (Hales Corner/MCFLS), Shawn Carlson (Waukesha/BLS), Heidi Cox (McFarland/SCLS), Michael DeVries (Beloit/ALS), Noreen Fish (La Crosse/WRLS), Dominic Frandrup (Antigo/WVLS), Jamie Hein (Clintonville/OWLS), Sue Heskin (Superior/NWLS), Rachel Hitt (Brillion/MCLS), Tina Kakuske (Door County/NLS), Clare Kindt (Brown County/NLS), Jennifer Loeffel (Franklin/MCFLS), Jessica MacPhail (Racine/LLS), Eric Norton (McMillan/SCLS), Kelly Rohde (Mead/MLS), Martha Spangler (Altoona/IFLS), Amy Stormberg (Amery/IFLS), Molly Warren (Madison/SCLS), Maureen Welch (IFLS), Karina Zidon (Platteville/SWLS)

ABSENT: Nicole Hardina-Wilhelm (Neenah/WFLS), Rob Nunez (Kenosha/KCLS), Judy Pinger (Milwaukee/MCFLS)

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Review Agenda – changes or additions

There were no additions or changes to the agenda.

3. Approval of minutes – [April 17, 2020](#)

Motion: Approval of Minutes

Moved to approve: M. Devries

Second: M. Spangler

Results: Motion passed

Discussion: None

4. Reports: Committees, Workgroups and Project Manager Updates

- a. Decisions made between 04/17/2020 and 05/21/2020 meetings: It was noted that there were no decisions made since the last meeting.
- b. WPLC Board Report
M. Welch reported that Board met on April 29th. Slides for the WPLC Annual Meeting are on the WPLC website. Board looked at YTD budget and made a correction on WiLS Project Management fee. Also discussed the proposed increase for systems and voted to support the Steering Committee in an increase for the buying pool. The Board also reviewed the Social Media Committee's ideas regarding advocacy. Looking for a new Board rep for Collection Development Committee. Several systems reported they have received or added additional funding for their Advantage accounts.
- c. Selection Committee
S. Gold reported there was a zoom issue with WiLS (both zoom accounts were double booked) so the selection committee was unable to meet online Wednesday, May 20th.

Information is being shared via Basecamp on the \$250,000 pandemic collection funding. There is \$572,000 remaining in the collection budget in addition to the \$250,000 pandemic funding. Two items of note: The Advantage spreadsheet created by OverDrive to help Advantage selectors determine how many copies of in-demand titles to purchase is undergoing a revamp due to the many changes to Marketplace. Several of the Advantage report headings no longer align with Marketplace reports. S. Gold will share the report with selectors when it becomes available. Also a glitch was discovered in the WPLC title weeding report. Alix Morris from OverDrive will send an updated weeding report to the WPLC-Cataloger list when it is fixed. There has been a significant decrease in average wait time from 60 days in November 2019 to 33 days in May 2020.

- d. **Collection Development Committee**
It was noted an update will be given as agenda item 5.a.

5. Ongoing Discussion Items

a. **Collection Development Committee Recommendation Discussion and Vote**

At the April meeting and at the Annual Membership meeting the Steering Committee and Board discussed the recommendations for 2021 and the potential increase for the 2021 budget in light of the pandemic. After the Annual Membership meeting, the Board met and voted to support Steering in increasing the 2021 budget as outlined in the current Collection Development Recommendations draft.

Motion: Approval of the Collection Development Committee Recommendations

Moved to approve: J. MacPhail

Second: M. Devries

Results: Motion passed (11 ayes, 8 nays)

Discussion: SCLS was a toss-up in terms of support. MCFLS and Bridges are not in favor of an increase right now and would prefer to put money into Advantage. NWLS would like to wait a year for an increase. WVLS, MCLS and Monarch are in favor of the increase.

b. **Discussion: Sora and Public Library Connect**

At the last meeting, Connie Bowman and Daiva Madjar from OverDrive provided a walkthrough of Public Library CONNECT, an option for OverDrive's School Library App, Sora, to link students to their local public library.

The group was asked if they had any follow up questions.

Discussion: Madison Public Library reported Madison Metro School District is not interested in CONNECT. M. Welch mentioned SYNC audiobook program is using Sora this year. Brown County teachers have expressed interest in having Big Read titles for Juveniles. S. Gold shared there has been an increased usage from juvenile and YA titles in the WI Digital Library. Also the WSDLC had 31 new members join in April.

c. **Patron Focus Group**

This is an opportunity to discuss and identify questions for the WPLC Patron Focus Group. There were no questions for suggestions.

6. New Discussion Items

a. Discussion and Action: Magazines

OverDrive is offering an opportunity for the WPLC to affordably provide 10 digital magazine titles to the whole state, via simultaneous use for \$15,000 per year. In order to understand current demand and existing supply, the Steering Committee was asked to fill out a brief survey to gauge interest. The group discussed the results of the survey.

Discussion: Committee would like a demo and then will vote via Basecamp.

7. Committee information sharing and questions

Discussion: C. Kindt reported Brown County offered instant access online cards - had 532 sign up and 476 new Overdrive users. IFLS saw 900 instant card users for OverDrive in April. Libraries are beginning/continuing curbside service and several libraries are preparing to open to limited patrons.

8. Next Meeting Date: September 17, 2020 at 1:00 PM, online.

It was noted the next meeting is September 17, 2020.

9. Adjournment

Motion: To Adjourn

Moved to approve: A. Stormberg

Second: M. Warren

Results: Motion passed

Meeting Adjourned at 1:37 p.m.