**WPLC Board Meeting Reports**

November 16, 2012

**Selection Committee Update:**

The Selection Committee has $ 211,221.50 for November and December orders. We have budgeted approximately $80,000 per month for content and $51,000 for “Holiday Push Titles” as we did last year.

The Selection Committee is meeting Monday November 19th at 2:00 p.m. to discuss a strategy for this year’s holiday rush. Our preliminary plan is to create a list of ~10 best-selling Adult and YA fiction/ NF titles and order significant quantities of each to have on hand between Dec 26 and Jan 5th. Orders will be placed on Dec 24th, Dec 25th and Dec 26th. This is the same strategy we employed last year and it worked quite well.

Although we do not expect quite the same volume as last season, we do anticipate heavy usage of the WI Digital Library over the holiday season particularly with people receiving tablets (forecasted to be this year’s hot electronic item).

Title orders are up-to-date on the WPLC website.

See: [http://www.wplc.info/reports/titles-purchased/](http://www.wplc.info/reports/titles-purchased/%20%20)  to view.

**Publisher Update:**

Penguin announced Monday, that they are expanding their ebook program to libraries beyond New York Public Library. There are however limitations.

There is a 6 month embargo on titles and all ebook titles will expire one year after the purchase date. The titles are single-user. At this time the titles are only available through 3M. There is no embargo on audio titles which are available via OverDrive.

For more information: <http://americanlibrariesmagazine.org/e-content/remember-back-when-harpercollins-edition-brought-you-penguin>

Here’s a rundown on the remaining “big six” publishers and library accessibility:

**Macmillan**: No ebooks available, all audio available

**Harper Collins**: All ebooks and audiobooks available. Ebooks subject to 26 limit check-out

**Simon & Schuster**: One ebook available (Fahrenheit 451) with 26 limit checkout, All audio available

**Hachette**: Ebooks published prior to 2010 available, all audio available

**Random House**: All ebooks and audio available

**Front Line Tech Support for WPLC Libraries:**

OverDrive is offering Front Line Tech Support to WPLC member library systems with Advantage accounts. Please note: this is a fee-based service that requires sign-up. Service goes live the 1st day of the following month after you sign up so signing up in November would ensure you are prepared for the holidays

OverDrive is offering our consortium discounted pricing depending on how many libraries sign up.

Regular Pricing:

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| **Tier** | **Library Service Area Population** | **Annual Fee**  (all fees in USD) |
| 1 | Less than 100,000 | $ 3,000 |
| 2 | 100,001 – 350,000 | $ 6,000 |
| 3 | 350,001 – 600,000 | $ 10,000 |
| 4 | 600,001 – 1,000,000 | $ 14,000 |
| 5 | 1,000,000+ | $ 18,000 |

Discount: If at least 5 Libraries sign up for Front Line They will receive 20% off

$2400 Per Library if library serving population is UNDER 100,000

$4800 Per Library if library serving population is OVER 100,000

$8000 Library if library serving population is OVER 350,000

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Is this something we want to consider?

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