

Wisconsin Public Library Consortium
Digital Library Steering Committee Meeting Notes

May 18, 2023, at 1:00 PM

*Teleconference meeting held via Zoom – See instructions at end of agenda

ATTENDEES: ALS/PLS: Michael DeVries (Beloit), BLS: Shawn Carlson (Waukesha), BLS: Abby Armour (Mukwonago) IFLS: Martha Spangler (Altoona), KLS: Shannon Urban (Kenosha), LLS/PLS: Sara Swanson, (Union Grove), MCLS: Lisa Pike (Manitowoc), MCFLS: Elizabeth Hjelle (Shorewood), MCFLS: Karli Pederson (Milwaukee), MLS: Kelly Rohde proxy for Alex Harvancik (Horicon), NFLS: Clare Kindt (Brown County), OWLS: Holly Selwitschka (Kimberly), SCLS: Eric Norton (McMillan), SCLS: Molly Warren (Madison) also proxy for Heidi Cox (McFarland), SWLS: Karina Zidon (Platteville), WLS: Christina Lyon (Caestecker), WLS: Nicole Hardina-Wilhelm (Neenah), WRLS: Kayla Mathson (Independence), WVLS: Ada Demlow (Antigo),WPLC Board Representative: Rachel Metzler, WVLS

GUEST: Katelyn Noack (Monarch)

ABSENT: NWLS: Sue Heskin (Superior), SCLS: Heidi Cox (McFarland)

Project Managers: Melody Clark (WiLS), Sara Gold (WiLS)

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 PM

2. Review Agenda – changes or additions

There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes – [April 13, 2023](#)

Motion: Approval of Minutes

Made by: A. Armour

Second: K. Pederson

Discussion: None

Results: Motion Passes unanimously

4. Reports: Committees, Workgroups, and Project Manager Updates

a. WPLC Board Report

R. Metzler reported that the WPLC Board met in person on April 26, 2023 before WAPL. The 2024 budget was discussed and will be approved at the next Board meeting in June. A 501c3 investigation workgroup has been formed and will continue its work later this summer. The Technology and Digital Archives Backup committees presented their five-year plan, which was approved and is linked on the WPLC website. The magazine collection was approved to be renewed for 2 years at \$100K per year. A visioning session will be happening in person this fall, and more details will be shared as they are available.

b. Selection Committee

S. Gold reported the Selection Committee was cancelled due to a light agenda. The committee will meet again on July 13th. As a follow-up to the discussion about travel guides from the committee's last meeting, a report was run on interest in travel guides using "Notify Me" tags from Libby. There were 182 titles requested from Feb 28th to May 17th. This is a tiny portion of the 46898 titles tagged in the same period. S. Gold will monitor the interest level monthly and share the information with the selectors who manage the monthly recommendations.

5. Discussion and Action Items

a. Discussion and Action: Collection Development Committee Recommendation

At the last meeting and at the Annual Membership meeting, the Digital Library Steering Committee discussed the [recommendations](#). The DL Steering Committee meeting made additional suggestions for clarification around the expenditure chart and explanation.

Motion: Move to approve the Collection Development Committee's Recommendations

Made by: K. Mathson

Second: M. Devries

Discussion: None

Results: Motion Approved

b. Discussion and Possible Action: Additional Languages for Wisconsin's Digital Library

At the last meeting, the committee discussed adding [additional languages](#) to Wisconsin's Digital Library. The group had [additional questions](#) that needed to be answered.

The group reviewed the follow-ups to determine next steps. K. Mathson and E. Norton do not feel it is worth it to support translated headings in languages other than English and Spanish, as there are very few titles in languages other than those two languages. It was noted that it might also be a disservice to provide navigation in a language when we do not have materials in that language as well. The committee agrees that they will not pursue additional languages for Wisconsin's Digital Library at this time. Hmong would be an exception as it is a sought-after language for WI residents.

6. Committee information sharing and questions

K. Mathson asked if anyone has received requests for materials in languages other than English and Spanish and Urdu and Somali were mentioned as language requests.

7. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date: September 14, 2023, at 1:00 PM

Meeting ended at 1:27 PM