

Wisconsin Public Library Consortium
Board Meeting Agenda
August 9, 2021 at 1:00 pm
by zoom*

{Alternate in-person location: 980 WI-16, West Salem, WI 54669}

1. Call to order/Welcome & Introductions

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Review agenda
- b. Approval of minutes from [June 10, 2021](#)
- c. Decisions made between June 10, 2021 and current meeting: None
- d. [YTD Budget](#)

3. Updates from Previous Meetings/Projects

- a. [Historical and Local Collections Committee Update](#)

4. New Business

a. Informational: SimplyE and the Palace Project

Background: The SimplyE project, an open-source e-reader app developed by the New York Public Library, has recently undergone some changes regarding its partners and development, including a new app being developed in partnership with Lyris and DPLA, called the Palace Project. Project managers will provide a brief background and update on this new project.

Document: [SimplyE & Palace Project Update](#)

b. Discussion and action: Form Board Nominations Committee

Background: The group will form the Nominations Committee that will solicit candidates to be the Board Chair, Vice-Chair, and Liaison to the Digital Library Steering Committee and Liaison to the Technology Steering Committee. The positions will serve the 2022 calendar year. During the meeting, we will be asking for volunteers for the Nominations Committee and discuss the process for soliciting for the positions.

Questions for discussion: Would you like to serve on the 2022 Board Nominations Committee?

c. Discussion and action: Digital Library Steering Committee seat apportionment

Background: Each year, the Board validates the Digital Library Steering Committee seat apportionment by agreeing upon the percentage of Buying Pool contribution that represents a seat, and determining if the seats are allocated by the percentage. The past few years there have been some discussion about including System Advantage amounts into the formula. Project managers have prepared two version, one with the buying pool spend, as has been in the past, and one that includes Advantage spend.

Document: [2021 Digital Library Seat Apportionment](#)

Questions for discussion: Which formula would you like to use for the Digital Library Steering Committee seat apportionment?

Do you think we need to change the percent ranges per seat?

- d. Discussion and action: Digital Library and Technology Steering Committees job descriptions**
Background: Each year, the Board affirms the Steering Committees' job descriptions for the following year.

Document: [WPLC Digital Library Steering Committee Position Description](#) and [WPLC Technology Steering Committee Position Description](#)

Questions for discussion: Do you have any questions or concerns about the Steering Committees' job descriptions?

- e. Discussion: Potential 2022 R&D projects & Topics for the Collection Development Committee to Consider**

Background: This is an item that we consider each year around this time. The Board will consider potential projects that might be good R&D projects for WPLC for next year as well as recommend any activities that the Collection Development Committee should consider for their recommendations next year.

Questions for discussion:

- Do you have ideas or know of potential projects that might be good R&D projects for WPLC for next year?
- What pain points/challenges are you having with your own physical collections that the digital library could potential solve?
- Given the landscape in your library/community, what issues/topics might channel through the platform/digital library?
- Regarding the 2023 budget - Do you want to look at the current buying pool formula?
 - Will your system/libraries be prepared to do a 5% increase for 2023?
- Thinking about the current landscape and potential changes to the upcoming DPI allocation funding model (state aid), at what point does the WPLC/systems need to rethink or reaffirm their commitment to the buying pool? Should the WPLC be monitoring this?

5. Information Sharing from Partners

6. Adjourn

Next meeting: Board Meeting on October 25, 2021 at 1:00 pm

***Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82045237766?pwd=b1hZRjFScC9iSUltelkrcGdvaUxqUT09>

Meeting ID: 820 4523 7766

Passcode: 088868

Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)