

WPLC Collection Development Committee Agenda

September 30, 2024, 1:00 pm

Via zoom - Connection information below*

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Review Committee Charge and 2024-2025 Process & Timeline

Background: The Collection Development Committee comprises three Board members, three Digital Library Steering Committee members, and three Selection Committee members. The WPLC Board recently approved moving the recommendation and budget process from an annual process to a two-year process.

During the meeting: The group will review the charge, process, and timeline.

Additional Documentation: [WPLC Collection Development Committee Charge](#)

3. Discussion: Current Initiatives Check-in

Background: The current initiatives were approved May 2023 by the Digital Library Steering Committee and will continue through 2025.

During the meeting: The Committee will review the update.

Additional Documentation: [2023-2025 Full Initiatives](#) and [Current Initiatives Update](#)

4. Discussion: Initiative Recommendations

a. 2026 & 2027 Buying Pool Amount

Background: At their August meeting, the WPLC Board discussed the buying pool amounts for 2026 and 2027. The Board suggests an increase, but no more than 5%.

Buying Pool for 2025 budget: \$1,541,110

5% increase for 2026 would be: \$77,055 for a total of \$1,618,165

5% increase for 2027 would be: \$80,908 for a total of \$1,699,073

Questions for the Committee:

- *Is there any concern about a limit of 5%?*
- *Does the group wish to recommend a 5% increase for the next two years or something different?*
- *Are there suggestions for any specific areas that the increase should be spent on? (EXAMPLE: In 2022, \$10,000 (roughly 15% of the buying pool increase) was allocated to Juvenile and Young Adult materials.)*

b. Website Redesign

Background: Winnefox Library System hosts the WPLC website. The site uses an outdated version of Drupal that can no longer be updated. Winnefox has agreed to work on a new version, with the guidance of the WPLC in the Spring/Summer of 2025. Although the website encompasses more than just information on Wisconsin's Digital Library, the Collection Development Committee can offer insight and suggestions on what will best be included on the new website.

Questions for the Committee:

- *Winnefox and project managers would like to suggest that a website committee be implemented in the summer of 2025 to help redesign the website. Does the committee have concerns with this?*
- *What would the committee like to see on the new website regarding information about Wisconsin's Digital Library?*
 - *A space for WI Digital Library resource and marketing sharing?*
 - *Do we want/need a public-facing space for patrons?*
 - *A space for self published authors?*

c. Collection Development Changes (scope of collection) & Selection Committee Redesign

Background: The Selection Committee has moved to more OverDrive assisted selection this year. OverDrive creates carts based on holds and expired titles, and then project managers review and purchase. This has been a more effective and efficient way of selecting and purchasing for the WI Digital Library. This shift in more OverDrive assisted selection changes the need for multiple selection committee members at the shared level. Since Overdrive began assisting with holds selection in May 2024, the average monthly holds fill rate has increased by 17% over a four month period of time.

Questions for the Committee:

- *With this shift in selection to OverDrive, how might the Selection Committee be restructured?*
 - *The Selection Committee members are interested in CPC, Lucky Day Collections and refining their Advantage spending. A collection plan for what the shared collection will be responsible for vs Advantage could be very useful as an initiative.*

d. System Advantage Selecting Options

Background: Several systems have acknowledged the need to optimize their advantage selecting. This may be something that the consortium could investigate implementing for all system advantage accounts to assist with selecting. Another potential option is to

recommend that all system Advantage accounts work with OverDrive in selection assistance, similarly to what they are doing for the Consortium account.

Questions for the Committee:

- *What do you think would be beneficial for helping Advantage selectors better select and manage their holds and collections?*

e. Additional Ideas from the Committee

During the meeting: The group will discuss other ideas for initiatives.

Questions for the Committee:

- *What other ideas do you have to evaluate or better Wisconsin's Digital Library?*
- *Does the committee want to explore additional vendors at the statewide level? Ex. Hoopla is now offering a plan for consortia and has approached the WPLC Project Managers to learn more. Is this something the committee would like more information on?*

5. Patron and Library Staff Surveys

Background: The WPLC prepares and sends out a biennial survey to patrons and library staff to gather information and satisfaction.

During the Meeting: The group will review the draft patron and library surveys.

Additional Documentation: [2024 Patron Survey Draft](#) and [2024 Library Survey Draft](#)

Questions for the Committee:

- *From the discussions today, are there any questions that you would like to add or remove from either the patron or staff surveys?*

6. Next Meeting Date

During the Meeting: The group will determine the next meeting date.

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