

Reference and Adult Services User Group Meeting
February 5, 2008
Oshkosh Public Library

Attendance:

Janice Dibble, Oshkosh
Michelle Rosenberg, Winnefox
Desiree Bongers, Ripon
Joe Bongers, Menasha
Mark Arend, Winnefox
Julie Stobbe, Omro
Cheryl Kraft, Neenah
Melissa Kazmer, Neenah
Gretchen Raab, Neenah

Michelle Rosenberg provided us with hints and tips on searching Worldcat. The PowerPoint presentation will be available on the extranet. Extremely valuable information! Thanks Michelle!

Janice Dibble reported on progress from the Overdrive Selection Committee, of which she recently joined as a representative from the system. The Committee receives reports of titles with waiting lists, which are then used to determine if a second copy is needed.

The video selections from Overdrive are not current titles, so no additional funds will be used to purchase video titles.

We do not have statistics of use "by library," but they are available for the system as a whole. There is interest in Overdrive training--some of the technical aspects of downloading. Mark will look into this.

Mark reported on MOTOR (Mentioned on TV or Radio), a subscription that sends a daily newsletter with titles talked about on TV shows, radio programs and major magazines/newspapers. We did have a subscription in the past, but because of licensing problems, the subscription was dropped. Some libraries are interested in again receiving this newsletter. Cost to libraries is \$200 each, which is significantly more than we've paid in the past; there is a discount for multiple (20 or more?) libraries in a system subscribing. Mark will contact MOTOR for a free trial.

(Since our February 5 meeting, Mark learned that Overdrive is NOT willing to subscribe individual libraries.)