

Winnefox Technology Executive Council Meeting
14 May 2021
9:15 AM
Microsoft Teams-Remote Meeting

Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 9:16am

Present: Desiree Bongers, Jeff Gilderson-Duwe, Chris Kalupa, Hannah Klusmeyer, Deb Sadowski, Karla Smith, Gretchen Raab, Cindy Wallace, and Clairellyn Sommersmith.

Guests included: Keetra Baker and Nicole Hardina-Wilhelm

Absent: Jon Mark Bolthouse, Brian Kopetsky, and Julie Stobbe

Jeff amended the agenda to include a discussion of the current status of the ARPA fund. All were amendable.

Minutes: Chris moved to approve the minutes from March 12. Seconded by Hannah. Approved.

Library card barred option limit: Karla presented two options for libraries and their boards to choose as Winnefox returns to pre-Covid policies. Patrons may be blocked at \$25 or at \$10. All libraries cards will need to be renewed after 16 months. Karla will send out a survey to confirm that Marquette and Fond du Lac County directors are comfortable with the two options.

Pharos restrictions and limits: This was taken off the agenda as the concerns were resolved.

Subscription purchasing model: A free ranging conversation about the current system wide subscriptions: Gale Courses, which is paid for by the system and Newspaper Archives and Transparent Language which are paid for by the libraries. The system will continue to cover the cost of Gale Courses, which will be renewed in August. Winnefox will have a set dollar amount in each budget year for electronic resources and libraries can determine how those dollars are spent. Libraries will have a chance to decided if they wish to continue to subscribe to Transparent Language and Newspaper Archives; discussion of this will be held at the November or January WTEC meeting. Niche Academy was also briefly discussed. Clairellyn and Jeff will look into system wide subscription costs for this product.

WPLC Report

- a. Magazine Buy Pool: On Wednesday WPLC will be voting as to whether or not they will be a statewide buying pool to add magazines to the Overdrive collection. There will also be a vote to raise the statewide contributions by 5%, which will allow for more juvenile and diverse purchasing. Nicole reported that she heard positive support from the libraries in anticipation of the vote.

Desiree asked about purchasing metered titles, and Nicole confirmed that more titles are metered, and thus it is probable that the juvenile titles purchased with these funds will be metered.

- b. WPLC Technology Projects: Jeff reported out about the two technology projects coming forward to the WPLC Tech Steering committee: one a dashboard of library statistics, and two incorporating the current backup and archival storage project. One decision that needs to be decided is WPLC Board voting method for those systems who do not have stakes in the proposed projects.

General technology update and discussion of projects: Jeff highlighted some recent completed technology projects, including Ripon's new website.

ARPA Funding Info: Clairelyn presented briefly about the currently status and conversation regarding ARPA, emphasizing the library as a community recovery center and the desire from DPI and IMLS to fund regional or statewide projects. Applications should open in July, with funding needing to be spent by June 2022.

Future Agenda Items? Desiree asked about Blue Cloud cataloging for staff; Karla reported that current option also for more customization, which had benefited Winnefox. The cloud based model is not there yet.

Next Meeting – July 9th 2021

Adjourned at 11:08am