OWLS Acting Director report

September 21, 2017 OWLS Board of Trustees Meeting

Staff at OWLS

OWLS Catalog Librarian Amanda Lee celebrated her one-year anniversary at OWLS on September 12th.

The Sunshine Committee has planned an Ice Cream Sundae Buffet for staff on 9/20. Dave has signed up to bring pig candy ice cream. We're all very curious.

I will attend the statewide CE annual meeting in Johnson Creek on 9/29.

I will meet with the Outagamie County Finance Committee on 10/5.

I plan to attend the WLA conference in Wisconsin Dells October 18-20. Amanda will also attend the conference. The sessions by the PLSR workgroups on Thursday and Friday might be of particular interest to OWLS board members. Conference details can be found here:

http://wla.wisconsinlibraries.org/events-conferences/annual-conference/wla-conference-home

Project Updates

Sixteen OWLSnet member libraries have migrated to Office 365 email. We are on track to roll out the service to all libraries by the end of October.

At the AAC meeting on 9/15, we created committees to explore locally controlled collections and the AAC meeting format.

Library News

We held a meeting of OWLS member directors on Friday, 9/8 at Scandinavia Public Library. Topics of discussion included OWLS staffing, county funding and best practices for county billing, the system plan, PLSR, suggestions from the board's focus group summary, and reports from libraries.

We plan to hold member meetings more frequently, starting with a meeting to review the OWLS budget in October. We will create a task force of members to explore opportunities in workforce development.

PLSR update

The PLSR Steering Committee is hosting regional meetings around the state this month. The schedule can be found here: http://www.plsr.info/septemberregional/