

## OWLS Director report

June 18, 2015 OWLS Board of Trustees Meeting

OWLS Meetings and activities since the last OWLS board meeting include:

- May 15 AAC meeting highlights
  - The Little Chute Windmill is open for business! The next time you're in the area, please stop in and check out the windmill right next to the library.
  - WPLC is not planning to increase the amounts for the digital buying pool. However, this may change in the future. Wisconsin used to be a leader in the amount spent buying digital materials, but several other states have now surpassed us. It's also getting difficult to keep up with growing demand because of budget restrictions. Waupaca did a cost per digital download analysis and determined that it costs \$.28 per digital download. Quite the bargain!
  - The July AAC meeting was cancelled. This is always the meeting that's most difficult for library staff to attend because of the summer library reading program. The group enthusiastically agreed to cancel the meeting. Instead, we will be holding several Encore webinars.
- May 20 CE Webinar on Malicious Social Engineering
- May 27 I visited NPLS to discuss updates to our Automation Services Agreement and library membership agreements
- May 29 FVLC hosted Spring Tune-up by Pat Wagner at the Hortonville Public Library
- June 10 Innovative Interfaces staff visited the OWLS office
- June 12 New Shiocton director visited OWLS office

Progress continues to be made on the Encore setup. Progress has been slower than expected. It's taken Innovative a while to fix some outstanding problems, and that's pushed back our estimated go live date. On a more positive note, we have developed a process to load all of the Overdrive records and keep them up to date. We're confident that we'll have very good coverage of the Overdrive records so it won't be necessary to go to the Overdrive site to check out electronic books and audiobooks. Right now, assuming the rest of the problems are resolved in a timely fashion, we're looking at a potential go live date in July.

Dave is working on an update to SAM, our computer management system. We've received tentative approval from the libraries to bring down their public access computers for a day or partial day (one library at a time) in order to process the updates more quickly than the last time.

The directors have been chosen for the Joint Planning Process and the initial focus group meeting is in the process of being scheduled.

OWLS is exploring cyber liability insurance. This would cover OWLS in the event of a data breach. Some library systems have already added this insurance, and several others are actively exploring it. It's a very timely issue – even our audit will be covering the issue. We should have a quote on this for the July 2016 meeting.