

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Oshkosh Public Library

Thursday, May 30, 2013

DIRECTOR'S COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

recommendations to the full board on June 27, 2013.

I have not managed to schedule a meeting of this committee in May. I will work to schedule a meeting in time for it to bring

OPL WEB SITE

people contributed to updating the web site, but the core of the committee consisted of Jody Cleveland and Keetra Baker of Winnefox; as well as Sharon Schwartz, Stephanie Thomas and Lisa Voss of OPL. I hope that you will take some time to look at it and pass along any comments or suggestions you may have. Find it at www.oshkoshpubliclibrary.org.

The re-designed Oshkosh Public Library web site debuted on May 6, 2013. Many

SRLAAW RECOMMENDATIONS

(SRLAAW) has undertaken to study and make recommendations on how “public library systems can remain effective in meeting member library needs into the future.” The entire process is documented at the association’s web site: <http://www.srlaaw.org/2013Process/process.asp>, including a “Progress Report and Preliminary Recommendations.” Mark Arend, Winnefox Assistant Director, and I have been involved throughout SRLAAW’s discussion process. I will inform the board about the process and discuss the highlights of SRLAAW’s report and recommendations at this month’s meeting.

The System and Resource Library Administrators Association of Wisconsin

WINNEFOX STRATEGIC PLANNING – UPDATE

work of the committee is available for review at the following web page: <http://extranet.winnefox.org/strategic-planning>. I will give the board a brief update on the strategic planning process at this month’s meeting.

Winnefox’s Strategic Planning Committee has met three times and is now discussing draft strategic goals and objectives. The

EDGE BENCHMARKS

Melinda Gates Foundation, the International City/County Management Association, and the Urban Libraries Council, are working “to develop a suite of tools that support continuous improvement and reinvestment in public technology.” The focus of this activity has thus far been the creation of the “Edge Benchmarks V.1.0” (<http://www.libraryedge.org/benchmarks-v-1-0-pages-60.php>), a set of standards for excellence in public library technology services and programming. The benchmarks are included with this month’s board packet as Exhibit D. I intend to assess OPL’s technology efforts against the benchmarks, report the results of our self-assessment back to the board, and consider using our findings to guide future strategic planning.

A coalition of organizations, including the American Library Association, The Bill and

Respectfully submitted,

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