Agreement for Reciprocal Borrowing between the Outagamie Waupaca Library System and the Winnefox Library System

WHEREAS, it is to the advantage of the people of Outagamie Waupaca Library System (OWLS) and the Winnefox Library System (WLS) that library materials be accessible to them; and

WHEREAS, library systems have been established to promote access to materials available in organized collections in locally supported public libraries;

THEREFORE, the parties to this agreement, in order to fulfill their obligations and purposes in accordance with Wis. Stat. 43.17(6) and 43.24(2)(g),

HEREBY, do agree to the following responsibilities:

1. On behalf of the people in their systems and the public libraries which constitute their systems, to allow any person holding a valid borrower's card from any library including bookmobiles belonging to either system to apply for borrowing privileges at any of the libraries including bookmobiles belonging to either system. This arrangement, generally referred to as reciprocal borrowing, will be subject only to the following conditions:

   A. Customers who borrow materials under this agreement are required to:

      1. conform to the rules and regulations of the library from which they borrow;
      2. present a valid borrower's card issued by their local library from which they borrow and identification such as a driver's license or state identification card;
      3. pay promptly all fees and charges which may accrue against them;
      4. assume responsibility for the return of borrowed library materials to the lending library;
      5. The systems agree to assist each other, if necessary, and upon request, in recovering materials;
      6. Materials may be returned to any member library of either system; it will be the system's responsibility to return the materials to the originating library.

   B. Cards are issued by libraries in either system according to the procedures at that library.

C. Reference and referral services to a system's resource library for intersystem borrowers shall be done only by and through local libraries which are in the same system as the resource library.

D. An intersystem borrower has the same rights and privileges as a local borrower.

E. A public library in a public library system may refuse to honor valid borrowers' cards of a public library in an adjacent public library system if, in the most recent year in which the public library honored such cards, the total amount of the reimbursement received by the public library from that adjacent public library system, and from counties and municipalities that are located in that adjacent public library system, is less than the adjusted cost incurred for that year by the public library in honoring the cards as described in Wis. Stat. 43.17(11)(c).

F. A library that provides service to non-libraried residents in an adjacent county, which is not in their home system, shall be reimbursed by the adjacent county as described in Wis. Stat. 43.12 and such reimbursement and use is not subject to Wis. Stat. 43.17(11)(c).

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that:

1. The systems shall notify each other of their respective continuing education opportunities for librarians and trustees. The systems shall allow attendance by each other's participating libraries' staff and trustees. Each system may reserve the right to limit participation to only its member library staff and trustees if enrollment must be limited.

2. The systems shall facilitate the interlibrary loan of materials for each other's member libraries.

3. The systems shall share planning information concerning library system services and other activities as may be mutually beneficial to both systems.

This agreement becomes effective on the date signed and is renewed automatically each year until notice of termination is given by either party. It may be amended at any time by mutual agreement of both parties or be discontinued by either party upon (90) ninety days written notice.

For Outagamie Waupaca Library System   For Winnefox Library System

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Board President   Board President

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System Director   System Director

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Date   Date