

MEMORANDUM:

**To: Winnefox Library System Trustees**  
**From: Clairelyn Sommersmith, Assistant Director**  
**Subject: Report of System Activities**  
**Date: January 28, 2021**

Greetings and Happy New Year! The following is an update of activities since our last meeting. I would be happy to provide further details at our meeting, or feel free to give me a call, 920-569-2179, or send an email.

**2023 Winnefox Board Meetings:** In addition to meeting at the Oshkosh Public Library, we like to have the board visit other libraries in the system. Below is the schedule for the year:

**March 29 – Poy Sippi Public Library**

**May 31 – Elisha D. Smith, Menasha**

**July 26 – Ethel Everhard Library, Westfield**

**September 27 – Spillman Public Library, North Fond du Lac**

**November 29 – Oshkosh Public Library**

**Library Legislative Day:** Winnefox librarians and trustees will be gathering in Madison with other librarians across the state Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup> to speak with representatives and legislators at Library Legislative Day. Topics to be discussed include gratitude for the increase in system state aid, and highlighting the additional services provided with said funding. There may be questions from legislators regarding intellectual freedom and material challenges, but visitors will be prepped to address those.

**Library News:** Brandon Public Library received \$473,000 from Tammy Baldwin's Senate Appropriations Legislation. This grant will contribute to Brandon's building expansion project.

Eliana Luke has been hired as the new director of the Ethel Everhard Library in Westfield. Eliana is completing her Master's in Library and Information Services this spring.

**Staff News:** We have hired Stephen Geelan as Winnefox's newest Administrative Specialist. Stephen's accounting and bookkeeping experience and education will be great assets to the Winnefox office.

Sue Burns, clerk at the WCTS office, will be retiring in early March after over 30 years of service in that office. Winnefox has hired Janna Putzer to be the new WCTS clerk. Janna has worked for Winnefox, as an ILL sorter, and Oshkosh Public Library for 14 years.