

WVLS Advantage Selection Committee Meeting
May 5, 2018
Marathon County Public Library Headquarters

Present at the meeting were: Katie Zimmerman, Kate Sullivan, Jenny Jochimsen, Lorelee Petersen and (virtually) Anne Hamland.

The committee met informally (no agenda) to discuss our method for choosing and ordering materials via Overdrive Marketplace. At the recent WPLC annual meeting, some changes were made to their purchasing process. The committee reviewed the new purchasing schedule and decided to adjust our own purchasing schedule to complement theirs. According to WPLC Advantage Selection guidelines "Consortium selectors purchase best sellers by the 10th of each month. The consortium will purchase no more than 80 copies of one title. Advantage should purchase additional copies once a month, after the 15th of the month."

Therefore, the WVLS Advantage Selection Committee will run the holds list on the first Thursday after the 11th of the month. The earliest it will be run is the 12th and latest is the 19th. Selectors will need to make their choices within a week. Anne Hamland set up a reminder on Google to help us make our selections in a timely manner.

It was further decided that we should discontinue the wild card purchase. With the wild card purchase out of the way, each person will have between \$200-\$220 to spend each month. At least 4 books must be selected but more are allowed if the selector has money left. It was suggested that those choosing youth titles should stick to the lower end of the budget as adult titles are often more expensive. Anne made note of the changes at <http://wvls.org/overdrive/>. We are currently purchasing 25-26 books per order with 10 of those titles typically being youth titles.

The committee then turned their attention to a new line in the spreadsheet for shared copy holds. It was determined that a shared copy would go to users outside our library system if no one in our library system had a hold on that title. Advantage Plus shared copy titles will be highlighted on the spreadsheet.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40.

Submitted by Lorelee Petersen