February 9, 2021

Dear Sharon and MCPL Board members,

Members of Wisconsin Valley Library Service Board of Trustees and staff are still ready and willing to meet with members of the Marathon County Library Board of Trustees and staff in order to clarify our mutual interests, identify MCPL service needs, and explore the ways in which WVLS can support MCPL in achieving its goals.

In 2019 prior to the creation of a MCPL Task Force to investigate systems, WVLS suggested the formation of a committee comprised of WVLS staff and Marathon County representatives to the WVLS Board and MCPL counterparts to spur a constructive and professional dialogue. If interested and to jumpstart a conversation, please see pages 18-26 in the <u>December 2019 WVLS Presentation to the MCPL Board</u> for resource library suggestions for MCPL to collaborate with larger libraries; methods WVLS offers for member libraries and staff to connect with others; evidence of how WVLS leads in collaborations across the state; and ideas for new initiatives. We stand by, ready to reassess current assumptions and to seek solutions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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