



1) Upcoming Meetings and Events

- **V-Cat Council Meeting**

Thursday, June 2 from 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Meeting Link - <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/826279069>

Meeting Agenda and documents - <https://www.wvls.org/v-cat-agenda-exhibits/>

- **V-Cat ILS Evaluation and Review Committee Meeting**

Thursday, June 8, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Meeting Link - <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/345322229>

2) [The Wisconsin GOP's search for 'inappropriate' books in school districts](#)

- By Isiah Holmes for the Wisconsin Examiner, May 31, 2022
- *“Over the past few months, some Wisconsin Republican legislators have been scouring school libraries in their districts for potentially “inappropriate” books. The Legislature won’t return to session until next year. In the meantime, GOP lawmakers appear to be setting the stage for debates around what books should be restricted, and whether staff should be held accountable for providing them to students.”*
- The article refers to WVLS area Assembly Representative Jesse James’ interest in legislation being drafted by colleagues “after his office received a list of books by more than 50 authors sent by a concerned parent.” James is running for the 23rd Senate District seat vacated by retiring Senator Kathleen Bernier instead of for reelection to the 68th AD this fall. He is a reliable supporter of state library budget items who has established a cordial relationship with WVLS area librarians and trustees attending Library Legislative Day.
- **[2021 SENATE BILL 1102](#)** (draft bill LRB-6117) was introduced, along with over 70 other legislative proposals, as incumbent legislators contemplated their campaign platforms during the final week before the 2021-2022 legislative session adjourned on March 15. It will not move forward at this time. The next session will begin in late January 2023, at which time any leftover bills would need to be reintroduced as new legislation. WLA’s Library Development & Legislation Committee has already expressed concerns with the legislation, as well as a willingness to sit down with the bill’s authors for further discussion. Rest assured this legislative discussion is being monitored.
- Now is the time to review your library collection development and materials reconsideration policies. WVLS staff is happy to assist library staff and trustees in updating these policies if needed.
- **[Materials Challenges & Intellectual Freedom](#)**: Resources for immediate assistance as well as on “How to Prepare and Respond to Challenges & Concerns.”

3) Upcoming Webinars

- [How Nonprofits Use Microsoft Teams](#) - 12 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1
- [Inclusive Leadership for Social Impact](#) - 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 2
- [Understanding the LGBTQIA+ Alphabet Soup](#) - 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 2
 - Meeting ID: 955 5777 0820 | Passcode: 510226
- [Introduction to Finding Grants](#) - 4 p.m. on Thursday, June 2
- [Yoga for Workplace Resilience](#) - 9 a.m. on Friday, June 3
- [Conflict De-Escalation](#) - 10 a.m. on Monday, June 6

4) Reminders

- Applications are now open for the [PLA Digital Literacy Workshop Training Incentive, supported by AT&T!](#) The new incentive program is designed to support library adoption of the new digital literacy courses and training materials, which are freely available in English and Spanish at [DigitalLearn.org](#). All public libraries in the U.S. are eligible to apply for one of two incentive amounts. The application deadline is Friday, June 10 at 11:59 p.m. CST. Applications will be reviewed and selected by PLA this summer and recipients will be announced in August.
- The [Play Make Learn Conference](#) is back in person this year and registration is now open. Play Make Learn happens on the UW-Madison campus and is scheduled for August 8-9. The Play Make Learn Conference promotes high-quality learning opportunities for educators, researchers, developers, designers, foundation leaders, policy makers, museum and library professionals, and school leaders who are dedicated to promoting making, gaming, and playful learning. Scholarships are available. [Read more](#) on the Wisconsin Libraries For Everyone blog.