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Bookmobile RFP

Bids for the second round of bids are due December 17. Working with the Purchasing Department, we expanded on some of the shelving and furnishing options and provided more clarity on some key components, per feedback from various vendors. I am hopeful that we will receive some competitive bids.

Beyond the Page

The BTP Oversight Committee convenes on Friday, December 4 to review competitive grant proposals for 2016. The eleven applications are impressive and all involve at least three library partners.



Racial Equity/Social Justice

At the November Dane County Librarians' meeting we had presentations of the different RESJ work being done in various communities around Dane County. Sarah Lawton from Madison Public Library shared the work that Madison has been doing for the past 2-3 years. I shared the Dane County RESJ study and recommendations. The Middleton and Sun Prairie Public Library directors shared the events that have happened in their communities surrounding racial equity. At our January meeting, we will undertake an exercise to evaluate our various conduct policies using a RESJ tool/lens. It is my hope to integrate RESJ initiatives throughout library service in Dane County.



Bookmobile stop modifications

I am excited to report that we have a new location in *Westport* at St. Mary's Church and it has made a huge difference in attendance. Families who had visited the bookmobile years ago, but had fallen off, rediscovered the bus. Check out Nate's "ghost" as he takes a photo of the bus at the new stop, above.

The *Morrisonville* stop has been tricky for a couple of school years. Communication with the new principal and teachers reflected a lack of time for the students to use the bookmobile with supervision, as well as parental concern for the kids checking items out that may go missing. In an effort to bring service to them, I provided three training sessions on using LinkCat so that the students can choose what they want delivered to them. We plan to establish an organizational card for the school and bring them a batch of books to exchange every week.