DCLS DIRECTOR'S REPORT	APRIL 2015

Kids Expo

The Bookmobile was featured at the Brava Kids Expo on Sunday, March 22. Amy Winkleman and Nate Snortum delivered the Bookmobile to and from the event. Amy Perry from Middleton Public Library and I spent the day greeting families, issuing library cards, and checking out items. People loved it! This will definitely be an annual event.

Staffing

We have hired Todd Cox as a Library Assistant to fill the vacancy left by Peter Cupery. Todd's first day is Monday, March 30.

We are waiting for certification to fill the vacancy left by Richard Wambold, whose last day was March 20. In the meantime, we hope to have Peter Cupery return as an LTE to help us with our Bookmobile schedule. Tyler Furo, LTE Clerk, has been going out on the Bookmobile on Thursday nights and add Wednesday nights, to his schedule during April. A big thanks to the staff for pitching in while we have vacancies!

We are also working with Employee Relations to hire a summer LTE to assist Mary with Summer Library Program. We hope to have this LTE hired and ready to start work by mid-June.

Bookmobile Request for Proposal

I have been working with the Department of Public Works regarding the specifications for CNG. John Welch, resident Public Works CNG expert, is working with me on the RFP; I am thankful for his assistance! He also has a consultant assessing the fire code safety for our garage to meet CNG standards.

Collection maintenance

We have been working on cleaning up our collection on both the database and physical side. We have many items that are showing "On Order" in the catalog that need to be deleted due to the order being cancelled by the vendor. In addition, we are running into space issues and need to weed collections in order to add new materials. These are on-going projects.

US Bank grant

Mary applied for a $1,000 US Bank grant to update the toys and books in the Play Literacy collection. She will find out later this year if DCLS is a recipient.