

Fox Valley Library Council

2003-2004 Annual Plan

MISSION: The mission of the Fox Valley Library Council, Inc. (FVLC) is to provide a forum for facilitating close cooperation and communication between the libraries and information centers of the Fox Valley area in order to meet citizens' information needs. To achieve this mission FVLC has adopted these goals:

GOAL A: Provide a forum to facilitate close cooperation between libraries and information centers in the Fox Valley.

1. Hold at least two regularly scheduled meetings annually and communicate regularly with all members and prospective members.
2. Encourage continued membership and recruit new members.
3. Encourage attendance at meetings by colleagues from all types of libraries.
4. Regularly disseminate updated membership and directory information.
5. Continue to improve and update the FVLC web site.
<http://www.focol.org/fvlc/index.html>

GOAL B: Evaluate the impact of recommendations approved by the membership on May 10, 2002 to change the structure, programs, and activities of FVLC.

1. Conduct an online survey to collect feedback from the membership about the changes that have been made to the organization.
2. Discuss the impact of the changes at one or more Executive Board meetings during the year.
3. Report the results of this evaluation and any recommendations for additional changes to the membership at the May 2004 annual meeting.

GOAL C: Provide access to information resources for the citizens of the Fox Valley area.

1. Encourage the inclusion of all member libraries in WISCAT or similar resource sharing tools.
2. Continue citizens' direct access to information resources through courtesy cards and indirect access through interlibrary loan.
3. Cooperate with Outagamie Waupaca Library System (OWLS), Winnefox Library System (WLS), and FVLC member libraries to explore new avenues for resource sharing.
4. Advocate continued state funding of BadgerLink as a benefit to all libraries and citizens of Wisconsin.
5. Review the adequacy of the FVLC insurance program that reimburses member libraries for lost interlibrary loan materials.

GOAL D: Safeguard and promote intellectual freedom.

1. Monitor and respond to legislative activity at the state and national levels that affects information access and library service.
2. Create a form on the FVLC web site for members to report or ask for help with censorship challenges.

3. Respond to censorship challenges of member libraries through appropriate and/or requested organizational action.
4. Encourage member libraries to assist and support challenged libraries in protection of intellectual freedom through appropriate action.
5. Maintain an organizational membership in Wisconsin Library Association through which FVLC shall actively support intellectual freedom and challenge censorship.
6. Support the intellectual freedom role and functions of the Cooperative Children's Book Center and maintain membership in the Friends of the CCBC.

GOAL E: Provide opportunities for FVLC members to learn of developments in the field, to grow professionally, and to exchange ideas and information.

1. Solicit input from all types of libraries and plan educational components for regular meetings.
2. Continue to promote networking opportunities between colleagues of all types of libraries.
3. Promote relevant workshops and informational programs to members.
4. Provide education assistance grants to staff of FVLC member institutions and encourage grantees to share that learning experience with FVLC members.
5. Encourage electronic communication via the FVLC listserv including the dissemination of reports from FVLC members who are members of state or national level committees.

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