



2023 Library Visit Interview Form

Library Name: Wyocena

Certification Grade: 3

Date of visit: 9/27/2023

Library staff present at the visit: Darrell Fehd

SCLS staff present: Vicki Teal Lovely

Amount of time spent at visit: 1 hour

[Please limit this section to the answers to the specific questions, and include as much detail as possible. Report other information or observations in the “other information” section below.]

1. What's new and/or innovative at your library?

Started facing out books on the shelves. Weeding—finished DVDs and romance and working through fiction. Will have the first annual tree-lighting ceremony on the live tree in front of the building. This will be a community-building effort and a fund raiser.

2. What are the next projects (big or small) on your library's to-do list in the coming year?

Finish weeding and do some rearranging in the library. Wants to start a computer class (he used to teach computer training at MATC-Portage). He did try a computer security class, but only library staff participated.

3. What challenges or concerns is your library facing now and in the near future?

Funding is the big challenge. Funding here is static—village and county won't raise what they give. They are very dependent on the Friends. The tree-lighting ceremony will be a fund-raising opportunity. He can't hire anyone else and he is only able to work 15 hours per week.

Feels that as he is still learning as he is new. He just started the 3rd required class and they are helpful.

4. How might SCLS help your library or staff with your challenges, concerns, or projects?

The mentor didn't really work out. It would be nice to have someone to bounce questions off of. He has a company that wants to donate, but they want a W9. He will have it go through their Friends Group. He is concerned that the library can't accept donations.

5. What would you like to see SCLS focus on or prioritize in the coming year?

It would be nice if there were more training. For example, how to do weeding. The normal director daily type responsibilities. He is going to the DPI boot camp. Could use more help on the lost / damaged procedures.

6. Is there anything else you'd like to share or discuss?

He has created spreadsheets to help with budgeting.

The weight of things has lifted a bit.

Other information gathered at the visit (interesting tidbits, general impressions of the library, or alternative topics: