

Item: Acceptance of the WLS System Annual Report to New York State
(Tabled from 3/28/17 Meeting)

Background: Annually all public libraries and library systems that receive funding from the State of New York are responsible for submitting an annual report of operational and financial activities. This year, there was a major change to the Report which we were not notified about until January. A new section was added for ELECTRONIC USE, and a new question was added called "Successful Retrieval of Electronic Information" that basically has to do with the usage of databases (known as Electronic Collections for this Report).

Status: The chart on the following page shows some of the highlights from the 2016 report. Just a reminder, in preparation for our move in 2016, there were no training sessions held for approximately 3 months.

[A full copy of the 2016 System Annual Report will be sent separately.]

Recommended

Action: Staff recommends acceptance of the 2016 WLS Annual Report and submission to the Division of Library Development of the State Education Department.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF 2016 WLS SYSTEM ANNUAL REPORT

Item	2016	2015
Total Physical Item Circulation This number does not reflect member library circulation.	37,558	12,345
System Holdings:		
Cataloged Book Holdings	65	67
Electronic Holdings <i>[down due to change of definition]</i>	16,981	23,666
All Other Holdings (databases)	20	17
Number of titles in ILS bibliographic database	969,930	972,927
Number of new titles added by the system	41,956	40,189
Number of holdings in the WLS Union Catalog	3,834,397	3,912,287
Number of holdings added to WLS Union Catalog	251,959	251,507
Total ILL activity	21,165	21,901
Total continuing education/staff development sessions	211	200
Total continuing education/staff development participants	2,130	2,355
Total consulting & technical assistance services contacts	5,363	8,393
Other Special Client Services:		
Westchester Seniors Out Speaking (WSOS)		
Trained volunteers	85	79
Presentations given / Participants	338 / 13,514	351 / 14,162
Senior Benefit Information Centers		
Hours Hosted at 10 library sites	1,200	1,200
SBIC counseling interactions held (including Helpline)	1,365	1,459
HSE Connect!		
Orientations/Information Sessions given / Participants	44 / 142	na
Walk-in sites Hours Hosted at 2 library sites <i>[program changed in 2016 down to 2 sites from 6]</i>	588	1,092
Tutoring sessions held	335	1,704
WEBS individual/group counseling sessions participants and workshop participants	2,195	2,142
Total items transported by delivery system-wide	2,288,955	2,312,694
Total visits to system website	1,813,040	1,968,172