



SWAN ADMINISTRATORS' & DIRECTORS' QUARTERLY MEETING

Meeting Packet

September 7, 2023

10:00 A.M.



SWAN Administrators' & Directors' Quarterly Meeting

September 7, 2022

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Oak Brook Public Library

600 Oak Brook Road, Oak Brook, IL 60523

Meeting Room

Or join the live stream of the meeting via Zoom

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Agenda

1. Call to Order and Welcome
2. Public Comment
3. Introduction of New Library Directors
4. Action Item – Approval of the June 1, 2023 Quarterly meeting minutes (Exhibit pgs. 3-4)
5. Information Item— SWAN strategic planning process
6. Information Item—Overview of SirsiDynix agreement with SWAN
7. Information Item—MessageBee future development
8. Information Item—EBSCO group-purchase year-3 usage metrics (Exhibit pgs. 5-7)
9. Announcements and Questions
10. Next meeting: December 7, 2023

Meeting Information

Member Comment after each agenda item. The Quarterly Meeting will be live streamed via Zoom. The URL below is specific to the date of the meeting. Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

SWAN Administrators' Quarterly Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2023

10:00 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Oak Brook Public Library

600 Oak Brook Road Oak Brook, IL 60523

Meeting recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2TxH42y8qZQ>

1. Call to Order and Welcome

President Bodewes called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. Bodewes, Blazek, Cottrill, Jarzemsky, Koll, Waltman were present to establish a board quorum.

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Introduction of New Library Directors and Visitors

Christopher Renkosiak – Executive Director -Wood Dale Public Library

Patti Naisbitt – Director - Woodridge Public Library

4. Action Item – Approval of the March 2, 2023 Quarterly meeting minutes

Waltman (Homewood Public Library) motioned, seconded by Tomschin (Cicero Public Library). Motion carried by unanimous vote.

5. Information Item – Board election results

The SWAN Board elections are complete with the addition of Samantha Johnson (Roselle Public Library District) and the reelection of Jennifer Cottrill (Midlothian Public Library).

6. Information Item – Addison Public Library joining SWAN project update

Scott Brandwein gave an update with the timeline and start date of November 17th.

7. Information Item – MessageBee project update

An update was given with a brief discussion about auto renewals, notices, etc.

8. Discussion Item – SWAN Decennial Act Statement and the cost-benefit analysis of membership in a library consortium

Skog discussed the Decennial Act Statement and the cost savings for all 100 libraries.

9. Information Item- SWAN Expo August 18th

Skog gave an update on the upcoming SWAN Expo including the session descriptions found on SWAN website.

10. Announcements and Questions

11. Next meeting: September 7, 2023

12. Next Quarterly meeting June 1, 2023

Bodewes adjourned the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

Minutes Prepared by Ginny Blake

Respectfully Submitted,

EBSCO Group Purchase Year 3 Statistics

September 2023

Olivia Montolin, SWAN Consultant, Electronic Resources

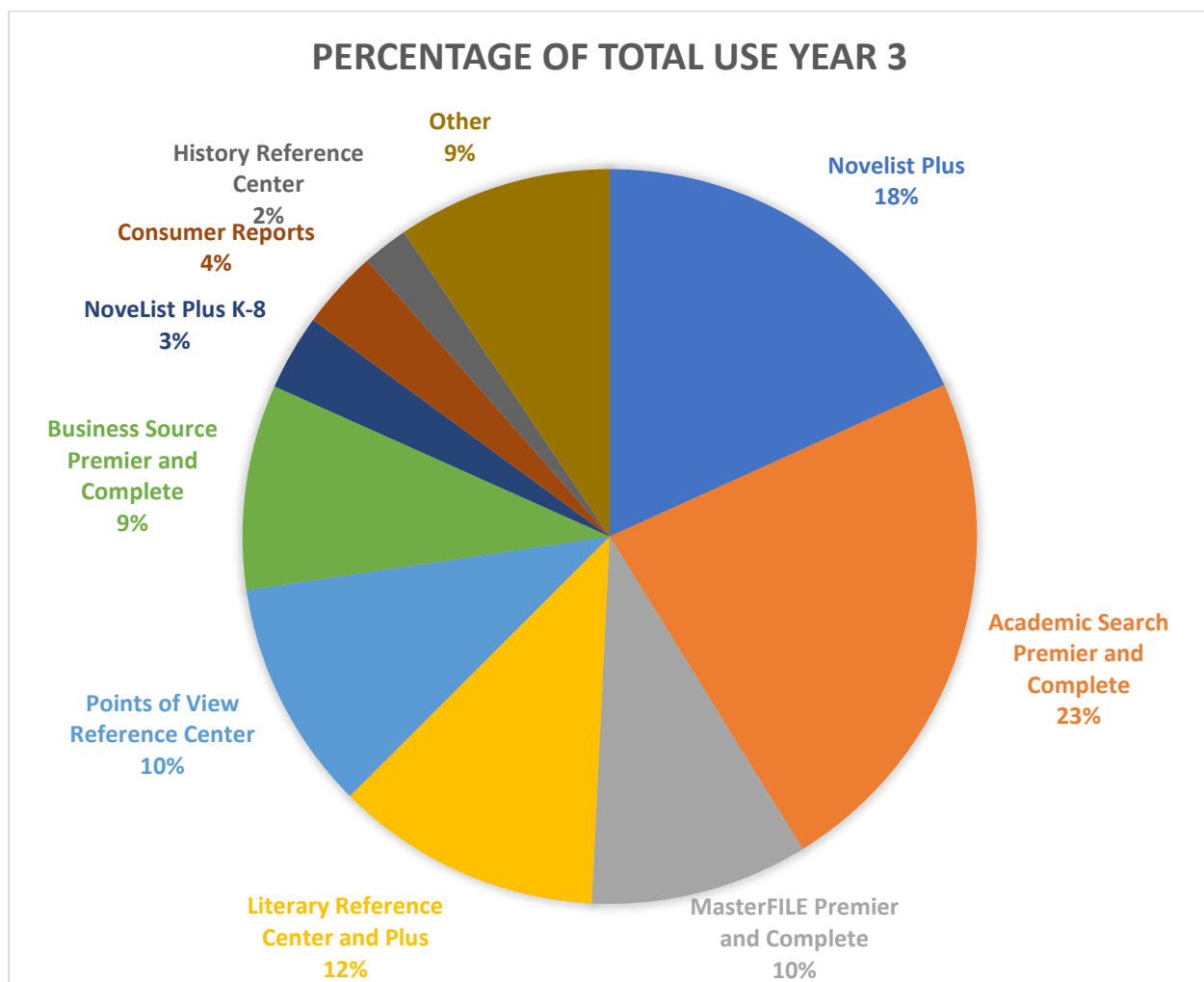
Olivia Montolin has compiled an analysis specifically comparing the second and third years of the EBSCO group purchase. Year 2 statistics (July 2021 through June 2022) includes 84 public libraries that participated in the second year of the group purchase. Year 3 statistics (July 2022 through June 2023) includes the same 84 public libraries that remained in the group purchase. The increase from Year 2 (391,975) to Year 3 (519,159) is 32%, while the overall increase from Year 1 (255,026) to Year 3 (519,159) is 51%.

All statistics reflect "Total Item Investigations", which is a download of a full-text article. Consumer Reports and Auto Repair Source statistics use "Sessions" which is a log-in and use of the resource. These metrics are the closest equivalent to a checkout of a physical item; there is also the option to measure clicks, which would provide much higher numbers, but the metrics represented here give the truest picture of use.

Database	Year 3	Year 2	% Change
Academic Search Premier and Complete	119181	72673	64%
Auto Repair Source	1315	1190	11%
Biography Reference Bank (H.W. Wilson)	2467	2053	20%
Business Source Premier and Complete	46888	27385	71%
Children's Core Collection (H.W. Wilson)	154	62	148%
Consumer Health Complete	1478	1928	-23%
Consumer Reports	18066	17861	1%
Education Research Complete	5588	3935	42%
Fiction Core Collection (H.W. Wilson)	558	371	50%
History Reference Center	10459	9297	12%
Hobbies & Crafts Reference Center	2955	4629	-36%
Home Improvement Reference Center	126	196	-36%
Legal Information Reference Center	2675	2995	-11%
Literary Reference Center and Plus	60901	34075	79%
MasterFILE Premier and Complete	49796	58481	-15%
Middle and Junior High Core Collection (H.W. Wilson)	22	29	-24%
Middle Search Plus	5662	2919	94%
Newspaper Source Plus	6742	3368	100%
Nonfiction Core Collection (H.W. Wilson)	2163	1368	58%
Novelist Plus	94652	88315	7%
NoveList Plus K-8	17336	19350	-10%
Poetry & Short Story Reference Center	0	0	0%
Points of View Reference Center	52721	28505	85%
Primary Search	1924	1430	35%
Public Library eBook Collection (EBSCOhost)	18	76	-76%
Read It!	400	247	62%

Religion & Philosophy Collection	3	0	100%*
Science Reference Center	7433	4184	78%
Senior High Core Collection (H.W. Wilson)	98	173	-43%
Small Business Reference Center	7011	4563	54%
Small Engine Repair Reference Center	241	189	28%
Vocational and Career Collection	126	128	-2%
	519159	391975	32%

*note: year 2 starting value = 0



A major goal of the SWAN EBSCO group purchase was to provide a set of standard reference resources for all SWAN libraries, especially as many libraries are focusing physical collection development efforts around popular resources. In the pie chart above, you can see that the “other” category – which includes resources less than 2% of total usage, totaling 49,159 uses. This usage is higher than Consumer Reports or Novelist K-8, consistent with previous years analysis. This continues to be a major advantage

of a group purchase bundle: For the cost of a few popular resources, the vendor includes additional niche resources that, in aggregate, find more use than some popular resources. Also of note is that academic resources found a significant amount of use and grew in usage from Year 2 to Year 3 with Academic Search Premier and Complete being the most used databases with 23% overall usage. Consumer Reports, Novelist Plus, and Novelist K-8 also all increased during Year 3.

Cost-per-use continued to drop between EBSCO Year 2 and EBSCO Year 3. Included in the chart below is the Cost-per-use for all three years. A steady decrease in cost-per-use is evident, with EBSCO Year 3 dropping below \$1.00.

While circulation of physical items and database use is not a one-to-one comparison, we have also included the estimated cost-per-use of books SWAN-wide based on item type and item cost under \$100 to eliminate incorrect price data and high-cost items, such as library-of -things materials, that may have a high cost-per-use.

EBSCO Database Cost-Per-Use

	EBSCO Year 1	EBSCO Year 2	EBSCO Year 3
Cost-per-use	\$1.65	\$1.10	\$0.84
Cost-per-use excluding Novelist Plus	\$2.73	\$1.51	\$1.03
EBSCO databases, full text borrows	255026	391175	519159
EBSCO databases, package cost	\$420,000.00	\$429,006.00	\$437,545.00

SWAN Book Item Types Cost-Per Use

Limited to items with a cost between \$1 and \$100 and created since 1/1/2015 to account for potential incomplete migration data. When including all regardless of item created date, cost per use is \$1.91.

Count (Item ID)	Sum (Item Lifetime Renewals)	Sum (Item Lifetime Checkout)	Sum (Item Price)	Total Circ	Cost-Per-Use
3,285,423	12,685,919	20,419,449	63,389,274	33,105,368	\$1.91