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### ICfL Board Welcomes New Member

**BOISE, Idaho** --The Idaho Commission for Libraries' (ICfL) board of library commissioners welcomes Dawn Wittman as the newest member of the five-person board. The board term is five years; however, Wittman is filling a vacated seat, the term for which expires June 2023.

During her lengthy career, Wittman worked for the Nez Perce County Library (now the Prairie River Library District) as a youth services librarian. She served as the librarian/media specialist for the Lapwai School District. Wittman then operated the Lewiston City Library for 13 years as its director and later returned in the roles of consultant and acting director. Wittman has a Master of Arts in Library and Information Science.

Wittman played a vital role in the creation of the public library branch in Lapwai and the inclusion of a library in the Lapwai Elementary School when it was built. Wittman said, "Since that initial taste of library advocacy and seeing the difference a library can make in a community, I focused my career on library work. I am excited for the opportunity to serve Idaho libraries in a broader and more strategic way, while also bringing my experience and perspectives to Idaho's board of library commissioners."

"We are fortunate to have someone with Dawn's background and passion for all libraries bring to a community joining the board of library commissioners. She will be an asset as the board continues its work of fostering and promoting library service in Idaho and supporting statewide library programs and services," said State Librarian Stephanie Bailey-White.

The powers and duties of the board of library commissioners are listed in Idaho Code, Title 33, Chapter 25, Section 3, found here: <https://legislature.idaho.gov/statutesrules/idstat/Title33/T33CH25/SECT33-2503/>.

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