TO: IHLS Board of Directors  
FROM: Leslie Bednar  
DATE: March 26, 2024  
RE: Membership Considerations

The Wood River Hartford SD #15 has applied for system membership. A site visit was done on November 30, 2023, by Leah Gregory, School Library Membership Coordinator.

This school district has dedicated space for a library. They have a collection, and they contract with the Wood River Public Library to provide staff for 16 hours per week. The school district pays the Wood River Public Library for the work instead of exchanging services as would happen with an intergovernmental agreement. The Wood River School District owns the books and houses them.

The Illinois Heartland Library System has received an application and a signed Memorandum of Understanding from the district. The application was discussed at the March Policy and Membership Committee meeting of the IHLS (Illinois Heartland Library System) Board of Directors, and a recommendation was made to move it to the full board for acceptance.