



Montana Library Association

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MLA BOARD REPORTS

Office held/Chair of:

Intellectual Freedom Committee

Reported By:

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Date:

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Progress or Successes Since Our Last Meeting:

- Received approval to add "Report Censorship" logo/form to MLA home page.
- IFC members agreed to maintain a library challenges map and database project begun by Sheila Bonnard and MSU staff.
- IFC members submitted nominations for 2018 IF award.
- MLA IFC met online on 11-29-2017. Meeting materials available at <http://mlaif.pbworks.com/w/page/108551893/IFC%20Meeting%20Materials>

New Issues:

- MLA executive director is confirming the 2018 MLA conference workshop specifics with ALA OIF and Office of Advocacy. Workshop must include a privacy emphasis per the sponsorship agreement with Montana ACLU. Will the workshop be one 180 minute session or two 90 minute sessions?
- Vacancies on the MLA IFC need to be filled. Especially the school librarian vacancy.

Board Action Requested: No requests for board action at this time.

Other Comments: Sunshine Week, March 11-17, 2018 <http://sunshineweek.org/> and Freedom of Information Day, ~March 16, 2018 (birthday of James Madison) <http://www.ala.org/advocacy/advleg/federallegislation/govinfo/opengov/freedomofinfo>

Financial Report: FY 2018 budget: \$1000

Amount spent: \$250.00 (Freedom to Read membership)