



Montana Library Association

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MLA BOARD REPORTS

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MILA- Montana Information Literacy Alliance

Reported By:

Suzanne Reymer & Jo Flick

Date:

4/2/19

Suzanne Reymer and Kieran O'Mara presented session at MEA on Fighting Fake News by Teaching Students to be Fact Detectives

Co-chair Jo Flick facilitated a 3 month cohort around the WebJunction self-paced course: Media Smart Libraries. 6 School librarians completed the classes and met online to discuss the material. One result of that session are plans now in place to host MSL Workshops on the day after the MLA School Library retreat in Bozeman (7/23 retreat - MSU, 7/24 MSL Workshops - Bozeman Public Library), with one of the founders of the National Association for Media Literacy Education (NAMLE), Dr. Faith Rogow. Dr. Rogow's session is entitled: Creating a Culture of Inquiry: Integrating Media Literacy Education into Everyday Practice. This cohort is interested in finding a way for libraries to collaborate on supporting student media makers - perhaps a statewide student media contest or festival.

Progress or Successes Since Our Last Meeting:

New Issues: It would be great for MILA to explore and emphasize ALA's school library standards in the area of information literacy. That framework presents a lot of opportunities for different types of libraries to work together in support of information literacy in schools. The framework can also be used by public libraries to support programming for school-aged children and families.

Board Action Requested:

Other Comments:

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Financial Report: FY 2018 budget:

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Amount spent: 0

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