MLA IFC Meeting Agenda and Minutes

Rough Draft

March 1st, 2017 3:30pm

Present: Jaci Wilkinson, Jim Kammerer - Chair, Judy Hart, Martha Phayer, Soozi Crosby, Gavin Woltjer, Sheila Bonnand, Anne Kish

Agenda

* Who will take notes – Jaci Wilkinson
* Adopted minutes from past minutes
* Introduce new members
  + Jaci Wilkinson – UMT – Web Services Librarian
  + Gavin Woltjer – Director, Billings Public Library
  + Rest of members also introduced themselves
* Reminder about dates, location, and names of IFC MLA panel discussion
  + Hour-long panel on Thursday of MLA 3:15-4:15
  + Interest group meeting on intellectual freedom AFTER panel
    - Anne Kish will follow up with MLA folks about scheduled time for interest group meeting
    - Separate from committee >> interest group versus committee in MLA annual meeting schedule
    - JK met with Judy Hart yesterday about panel discussion – panel participants (JK, AK, JH, Dana Carmichael) will meet an hour before panel
      * Jim will contact Dana
  + Discussion on content of panel discussion
    - Using panel to ASK participants what they need in the way of information, resources, etc. – particularly school librarians
* JK Uploaded to wiki policies from Montana public and school libraries pertinent to challenges
  + ALA link currently broken – JK will fix
* Bonnand’s suggestion to host an advocacy/IFC boot camp “preconference” for MLA 2018. Invite national speaker(s) to lead?
  + SH is member of IF roundtable for ALA
  + James LaRue mentioned at last roundtable meeting
  + Pilot workshops combining advocacy with intellectual freedom
  + “more proactive way at looking at these issues”
  + <http://www.ala.org/advocacy/advocacy-bootcamp>
  + Speakers cover their own airfare?
    - James LaRue is free for 2018
  + Whether or not to charge for workshop or not
  + Roll over funds from this year to go towards this boot camp
  + Partner with other groups?
    - ACLU
    - Montana Newspapers Association
  + AK: Request funding from MLA or ask boot camp speaker to also be keynote; more funding
  + MLA president finds keynote speaker – SB will reach out to president
  + Thanks for the idea, SB!
  + If you are interested in organizing/participating: stay tuned
* Update on status of IFC submission form. ALA permission is archives on our wiki. Concerns about using Google forms. Email address over identifiable info will be flagged/removed by Google. Hope to have available by conference time
  + Working with MLA webmaster to create form that is hosted on MLA server to keep information secure
  + Setting example of privacy
* Interest in creating a google document for purpose of collaborating draft page
  + Talk to new webmaster about creating IFC page on MLA website
  + JW offered to code in HTML the page to ease webmaster’s responsibility
  + New IFC webpage
  + More front-facing than wiki – easier to use
  + List of links and information
  + JK will create Google doc
    - Action item: members please send to JK the email address you want him to add to Google doc for collaborating
* Sunshine Week March 12th-18th
  + No one is celebrating as far as we know…
  + http://sunshineweek.rcfp.org/
* Senator Jon Tester wins ALA James Madison award
  + Ceremony on March 15th maybe? No one has more info
  + Not yet on ALA website (http://www.ala.org/awardsgrants/james-madison-award)