Intellectual Freedom Advisory Panel Meeting  
Friday, February 26, 12:30 pm  
PF Chang’s, White Marsh

Present: Andrea Dowling, Annette Goodman, Steve LaBash, Monica McAbee, Margie Rhoden, Mary Somers (IF Officer)

Round Robin. Informal discussion touched on the following topics:
- surveillance of students in Merion Township, PA
- allowing the librarian unfiltered Internet access in a prison library [a Good Thing!]
- recent book banning attempts
- privacy vs security at college: how long to keep login records

Minutes of December 2009 were approved.

New ALA OIF Director. Monica hasn’t heard back from Barbara Jones about speaking at the 2011 Conference. Monica will call her to follow up on the letter she sent.

Preconference 2010 (Privacy 101).
- Monica reported for Cathay: all our forms are in and things look good!
- We’ll plan a dinner outing for Tuesday evening and invite Angela and Carrie to join us (Dutch treat).
- As a backup plan in case a speaker doesn’t show, we will ask Carrie to speak longer, and/or will add an extra discussion/Q&A session in the morning.
- Annette has designed an IF quiz as an afternoon activity. The questions will be displayed on PowerPoint. Teams can win prizes, as in the Pub Quiz. Any ideas for inexpensive prizes, folks?
- Pat bought some gifts for the speakers as an extra thank-you. Several of us will chip in to cover the cost.
- Go to the MLA Conference page and click on Forms to sign up for helping with the Registration, Book Sales, author signings, or Silent Auction tables. Let’s Represent once again - thank you!! Direct url is www.mdlib.org/conference/forms.asp

New Business: IF Program at SLRC Tour. Rebecca Hass has asked Monica for advice on doing an hour-long IF program at the May SLRC (State Library Resource Center) tour. Monica will forward Rebecca’s email to IFAP members for comment.

NEXT MEETING: Because the weather kept many members away this month, we will schedule a March meeting. Date is TBD; Pasta Plus in Laurel has been proposed as a venue.

Monica McAbee