

MARYLAND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

END OF YEAR ANNUAL REPORT

SUBMIT TO CONNI STRITTMATTER, PLANNING AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE CHAIR, AT cstrittmatter@bcpl.net BY JUNE 30th.

UNIT:	IFP
PRESIDENT/OFFICER/CHAIR:	Andrea Boothby Rice and Lloyd Jansen
TODAY'S DATE:	July 18th, 2023
What is your overall evaluation of your unit's accomplishments for the year?	Overall we had a great year, we increased our programming and engagement through numerous activities. We collaborated with other MLA groups successfully to promote our values and increase awareness of our ongoing activities.
What recommendations do you have for your unit in the coming year?	Our website/libguide has been an ongoing concern for us that we need to prioritize, as well as returning to in person social activities. Refocusing those efforts will help us increase active membership in the group.

ACTIVITIES ACCOMPLISHED BETWEEN JUNE 1st - JULY 30th

UNIT GOAL What did your unit accomplish? Provide dates as appropriate.	MLA STRATEGIC PLAN How did this unit goal help to advance the plan? Refer to specific Goals and Objectives in the Strategic Plan.	MEASUREMENT How do you know that your unit achieved this unit goal? Provide outputs, outcomes, and/or other forms of measurement as appropriate.
Develop a program and apply for Foundation to Read Grant for Banned Books Week 2022	Goal 1: Objectives 1, 2, 3 Goal 2: Objectives 2, 3, 4 Goal 4: Objectives 1, 2, 3	We accomplished this goal, through the development of a Banned Books Week Program which was held at Salisbury University. We applied for the Foundation to Read Grant, but were not awarded the funds. However, we were able to find other sources of funding and hold the event, which included an author visit and panel discussion on Banned Books. Attendance was both in person and online with a total of roughly 50 people total.
Revise IFP toolkit / make available on MLA website and market for wider use	Goal 1: Objectives 2, 3, 4 Goal 2: Objectives 3, 4 Goal 3: Objectives 1	No changes have occurred here, however, we are continuing to explore opportunities to improve and make the toolkit more accessible.
	Goal 2: Objectives 3, 4 Goal 3: Objectives 3	In collaboration with LAIG, IFP held a pre-conference workshop that explored the history and issues of banning books. Also covered in the 3-hour workshop was best

<p>Sponsor at least 1 program at MLA/DLA annual conference // May 2023</p>		<p>practices in library policy, advocacy and supporting staff through challenges. We had a total audience of 15 and the evaluations were largely positive.</p>
<p>Advocate for and build knowledge about libraries' IF values through at least 1 CRAB articles, social events, Legislative Panel updates, SIFNet participation, and social media activity // ongoing</p>	<p>Goal 1: Objective 2, 3, 4 Goal 2: Objective 3, 4</p>	<p>This past FY we have written three CRAB Articles and three well attended online themed discussions. We continue to attend Legislative Panel and SIFNet with updates on our IF activities. We are also increasing our engagement on FB through sharing news and other related information regarding IF issues, especially Book Banning.</p>
<p>Sponsor or co-sponsor at least 2 standalone program // by end of FY23</p>	<p>Goal 1: Objectives 2, 3, 4 Goal 2: Objectives 1, 3, 4 Goal 3: Objectives 1, 2, 3 Goal 4: Objectives 1, 3</p>	<p>We held the three online facilitated discussions. We also held the Banned Books Week Author talk and panel discussion in October 2022. In February 2023, IFP also participated in a GLSEN workshop, where we presented on Censorship to a group of teens alongside a representative from LGBTQ+ Interest Group. One other program was planned for the Spring of 2023, but due to unforeseen circumstances we were unable to go forward with it and it will be rescheduled for the Fall 2023.</p>