

**MLA Legislative Committee  
11/17 meeting at MLS-Marlborough**

**Attendance:**

Mariam Achenbach  
Charlotte Canelli  
Jennifer Harris  
Kathy Lowe  
Susan McAlister  
Nanci Milone-Hill  
Greg Pronevitz  
Mary Rose Quinn  
Jackie Rafferty  
Tressa Santillo  
Sharon Shaloo  
David Slater  
Stephen Spohn  
Jayme Viveiros

**1. MLA Conference Program**

No news. Committee members brainstormed ideas for the program title.

**2. Boston Book Festival 2017**

Committee members shared their positive experiences of the day. The “post cards” to connect people to Engage worked well. (Those were created by Jenn Del Cegno at Minuteman.)

**2A. “Post Cards”**

Committee members agreed that we should print more post cards and distribute widely. Susan and Greg will coordinate. Cards will be distributed via networks and via MSLA area directors for area meet-ups.

**3. Advocacy Award**

No news.

**4. Legislative Agenda**

Mary Rose provided handouts. (MRQ - could you please supply those so we can attach to the minutes. Thanks!) The legislature has completed its actions of the budget overrides; the governor is holding off on released funds for earmarks and some overrides pending revenue outlook. MBLC has a meeting planned with the Ways and Means Committee. Natalie Higgins (Leominster) appears to be the choice for the House co-chair of the Library Legislative Caucus.

**5. Legislative Day**

Jennifer and Tressa led a meaty discussion to polish the plans for the day. See the Legislative Day materials in Google Drive for the complete picture of the day's activities, to do list and roles for committee members:

LegDay 2018 Schedule of Events - <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1KyDQJBfJ5sa-v-6o73DZK-hGNIDDklqyRJeThcAmtol>

LegDay Preparation timeline (general) -

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1PG7gYUCB2COOltfEbDsDGo2OQ4vC30Kp>

LegDay 2018 assigned tasks - [https://drive.google.com/open?id=1HV71q-moANRN35nInnRiQY-SojEFS0iNa\\_QW35XFJR0](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1HV71q-moANRN35nInnRiQY-SojEFS0iNa_QW35XFJR0)

**6. Legislative Breakfasts**

A 5th breakfast was added at Worcester Public Library on February 16. Committee members are reminded to send breakfasts to Susan McAlister along with information about legislator hosts and RSVP information as the breakfasts are planned.

**7. Grass Roots Advocacy**

No news.

The next legislative committee meeting will be held on January 26 at 10 a.m. at Minuteman Library Network.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve