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Montana Report

The Academic-Special Library/Public Library Divisions retreat in October was popular, with 40 people attending to learn about open-source applications for libraries.

The Montana Library Association's new website went live in November, under the guidance of a website manager.

MLA has a group on Facebook, with 47 members at present. Unfortunately many school systems, and some cities, block this application on work computers.

The MLA executive board will meet January 13 in Helena, followed by Legislative Day January 14, hosted by the State Library. At the October board meeting, a Finance Committee was created, consisting of 3 past presidents, with the immediate past president as chair.

The School Library Media Division plans a winter retreat, with speaker Mike Eisenberg. The Office of Public Instruction will help with funding.

The annual Offline conference will be held in Anaconda, MT February 20 – 21, with more open-source information being presented.

Respectfully submitted,

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