Attendance: Sam Cote Winslow Public Library; Sarah Taylor Waterville; Liz Davis Waterville; Cheryl Flanders Ellsworth; Kelli Gancos, Ellsworth; Cassie Wilton; Corinna Soucie, Auburn; Deb Cleveland Auburn; Mary Randall Lewiston; Kelly Greenlee Prince Memorial in Cumberland; Jon Roy, Kennebunk; Mary Beckett Edith Dyer; Liz Gagnon, Pittsfield; Deanna Gouzie, Biddeford; Irene Hall, Castine; Chris Dorman, MSL; Danielle Fortin, Lewiston; Barb Reymeyer Liberty Library

Breakout Sessions

Afterschool homeschool non-readers
Lego Programming - low maintenance but high turnout 1-2 times a month works best if there is a prompt
Moon/Kinetic Sand craft programming
Reading themes for book groups
Picking a theme and working programming around that theme- a mini reading program
Volunteer outreaches to expand field into community
Book Clubs with MSBA books to schools
Homeschool Clubs 2 afternoons a month - discussing programs, work on a project and discuss the next week
Meet and greet for homeschool families with food
Outreach to youth centers, parks and rec, Go to them
Rube Goldberg machine program

Partnership

Photographer partnership with makeup/makeovers
Haunted walk with face painting
Themed Days- Harry Potter, Gingerbread Day, etc.
Totally Tech Day- different libraries explore different types of tech in a public event, makey makyes, arduino, 3d printers, minecraft, etc
Community Baby Shower - kids free to grow community organization, visiting nurses, project linus, food play baby shower games, each person left with a diaper bag full of necessities and a board book
        Most were new moms so were able to make connections
Head Start or other youth centers
Invite 'local celebrities' into the library to do story times (police chief, fire chief, slectboard, etc)
Emergency Preparedness programs, prepping programs
Touch a Truck programs- if you don't have the space maybe do one at a time

Teens

Don't come into the library
Don't be discouraged, it's not you teens are so scheduled and just don't have the time to attend programs
Adults in teen space - will share posters and language, Adults may browse or be accompanied by a teen, but cannot linger
Videotaping in the library, we can't legally stop it

Supervised Visits/Adults with Special Needs coming with workers
Maybe a good topic for MLA Conference - what can we do, what is legal, what steps to take
Call your consultant at MSL!!
You might have to go above the caretaker to the organization
Reserve library room?

Make the human connection, remember names & supervisors

How to deal with Angry Patrons
Verbal Judo

YSS BUSINESS
There are some open positions for the YSS
Secretary, RRU, Member at Large 1-Year, Member at Large 2-Year

Deanna interested into RRU Liaison position - Vote - passed unanimously
Irene Member at Large 1-Year -Vote - passed unanimously
Mary Beckett Member at Large 2 -Year - Vote - passed unanimously

Chris Dorman - Christina.Dorman@maine.gov
Gizmo Gardens

MSL partnered with a non-profit group called GG, which is run by two retired engineers in Maine, whose mission is STEM Equity. They strive for programs with at least 50% female registration. Right now there are 1.5 programs. (One is still under construction.)
The current offering is Robo Pots for 5th grade and up, it is a 3 hour program. Kids create their own clay pot, bake it, and decorate it. Everything is in a kit, and each kid gets a full kit. They learn about circuits, resistors, timing, electronics, and get to create the project that they take home. The requirements are potting soil, half female registration, and a snack.

The program that is still under construction is the invisible xylophone. As the wand moves it registers different notes and changes color on the half note. Runs on scratch coding, kids learn coding as they go through the program. The goal is to teach kids how to code not just follow instructions on the screen.Hoping by the first of the year.

STEM activities you can use from MSL Include:
Ozobots
Sphero
Dash & Dot
Cue
Air powered rockets
Kano computers
Squishy Circuits
MBot
Arduino boards
Paper circuits

Makerspace - You do NOT need a dedicated space for a makerspace. You just need a cardboard box with some materials. It doesn't have to be in depth or cost money, it just has to get them thinking.

Big Book of Makerspace Projects by Graves

Two project ideas:
Human Robot

Teach an Alien to make a Sandwich (avoid pb!)

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