



UPPER HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM

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X	NASS – Tracey Clague	X	UHLS - Tim Burke

Directors' Association

Date: December 18, 2020

Others in Attendance: J. Favreau; N. Hurteau; J. Thornton; M. Fellows; Chris McGinty from BETH

10:05 AM called to order by T. Wiles (Melissa Tacke could not attend the meeting)

Next meeting date: January 15th (skipping 1/1/21 because it's New Year's Day)

Updates from UHLS

Tim:

- Keep both public and members only spreadsheets up to date. 'Last updated date' has been added to a few entries which is very helpful and strongly encouraged.
- Delivery update: UHLS met with Arnoff last week, working with them to create an updated schedule. As soon as we have a final schedule, we will share it with the member libraries. UHLS will give the member libraries a couple of weeks to update staff and patrons before any changes are made to delivery routes/schedules, so until you hear from UHLS, delivery is running per usual. UHLS did stop quarantining last week based on the DA vote.
- April 1 is the new submission date for the 2020 NYS Annual Report (moved back one month from March 1)
- 15 new questions added to the NYS Annual Report....more information will be shared by DLD soon.

Natalie:

- Grow with Google Grant has been approved, it will be used to add more virtual workforce development classes presented by Nate Heyer (COLN), more information to follow

S. Jarzombek: APL is having an issue with their holds, we've been communicating with UHLS and everyone's working on it; just an fyi to everyone that APL is not intentionally withholding items.

Central Library Advisory Committee

J. Burke reported that Ancestry.com access will be removed starting January 1. The committee had to determine how to apply an extra \$10k in the CL budget as the result of the recent change in Overdrive's magazine offerings. CLAC decided to recommend splitting the funds evenly between the nf econtent budget and the APL staffing line.

eContent Advisory Committee

J. Wines reported that the committee did not meet. OverDrive magazine collection has already vastly increased in terms of the number of titles.

Coordinated Planning for Reopening (Ad Hoc Committee) – No meeting.

Anti-Racism Library Services Task Force

T. Wiles reported that the website has officially been published.

Open Forum

T. Wiles noted that they had a 3 hour+ Board meeting last night and that there will be no staff furloughs coming. Thank you J. Burke for standing up and other members of the library community who, as private citizens, protested or wrote in supporting the library staff.

G. Kirkpatrick reported that BETH has now scaled back services to curbside only.

RVLL is also scaling back to curbside service only per H. Carle.

RCS is now only allowing 3 people in the building at a time, appointment only.

APL draft pandemic plan was sent out to the group earlier this week. S. Jarzombek will be off until the New Year, but send an email if you have any questions.

BERN had a car in the local parade – 3 giant books on top of Kathy's car.

The ALTM board was concerned about not being able to do their annual fundraisers and for the first time did an annual appeal. The response and support has been overwhelming! They've taken in nearly \$20k, which is ~1/7 of their budget.

N. Matulis has a radio interview scheduled about an hour after the da meeting to discuss the library's second season of their 'Let's Make a Song!' program. Format is a little this time around because they couldn't all go to the studio, so the artists all recorded their own introductions on their cell phones.

Happy and safe holidays to everyone!

Meeting adjourned at 10:45AM