



UPPER HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM

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ARLS Task Force meeting, 10.22.20

x	Chair – Mary Fellows, UHLS
	UHLS at Large Member – Natalie Hurteau
x	DA at large Member – Tim Wiles, GUIL
	Medium library representative: Tracey Pause, VOOR
x	Large Library representative: Tor Loney, APL
x	Adult services representative – Liz Maynard, RCS
x	Children’s services representative - Amy McCarthy, GUIL
x	Teen services representative – Cathy Brenner, BETH
	At large member – Tracey McSchane, BETH

ARLS Task Force meeting minutes, 10/22/20

Meeting called to order by M. Fellows at 2:02 pm

Minutes: The 10/8/20 were distributed and reviewed before the meeting and are now available on the UHLS website.

Time-keeper: N/A

Part I

- Opening Remarks and Review
 - M. Fellows led the TF in opening remarks and the review of the agenda
 - M. Fellows explained the breakout sessions and project management charts
 - M. Fellows shared information about the listserv
 - It cannot be autosubscribe
 - Group decided on a frequency of twice a month, on the second and fourth Friday (following TF meeting)
 - M. Fellows and N. Hurteau will be the ones to post
 - Templates for the invitation and posting messages were shared and tweaked
 - This led to discussion about the name of the Task Force. Since Antiracism is one word, ARLS no longer fits as our acronym, and we didn't want to be ALS. The group agreed that the TF will henceforth be known as the UHLS Antiracism Task Force (ATF), since the "library" part is implied.
 - The listserv launch will wait until we have content on the website to promote
 - M. Fellows shared the "Scheduler" document and the group tweaked. This document will help us track potential, next up, and used content for the website.

Part II

- Project Management breakout sessions
 - Programming, followed by Marketing, met over the next 50 minutes to work on their tasks.

Part III. Sharing of information and continued work on website etc.

- Project Management review
 - M. Fellows noted that the Staff Learning: CE group had yet to meet but would do so on 10/26.
 - M. Fellows encouraged all TF members to review the other subgroups' Project Management lists and add resources where they can.
- ATF learning: M. Fellows and T. Wiles shared recommended books: So You Want to Talk About Race, and Things That Make White People Uncomfortable.

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- M. Fellows asked if the TF would like to devote time to our own learning – perhaps have one person at each meeting introduce thoughts gathered from a book or article read or something else, and then the group discusses. The group was enthusiastic about this idea. M. Fellows to develop this idea.
- The TF members debriefed and made plans for the next meeting

Meeting adjourned at 4:03 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Fellows