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Antiracism Task Force meeting, 7.22.21

x	Chair – Mary Fellows, UHLS
x	UHLS at Large Member – Natalie Hurteau
x	DA at large Member – Tim Wiles, GUIL
x	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
	Teen services representative – Cathy Brenner, BETH
x	At large member – Tracey McShane, BETH

Antiracism Task Force meeting minutes, 07/22/2021

Meeting called to order by M. Fellows at 2:04 pm

Minutes: The 07/08/2021 meeting minutes were distributed and reviewed before the meeting and are now available on the UHLS website.

Time-keeper: T. Loney

Part I

- Opening Remarks and Updates
 - M. Fellows led the TF in opening remarks and the review of the agenda
 - M. Fellows led the TF on a round of updates:
 - N. Hurteau announced that the G.S program is starting to get a lot of registrations, please continue to push out marketing (22 books left)
 - M. Fellows announced that the proposal for the ATF to become a committee will be going before the DA on Aug. 6th. The TF reviewed the document and discussed final changes including what the name of the committee would be; member terms etc.
 - M. Fellows announced that Tim Wiles will be sending out a survey to member libraries regarding the United Way 21 Day Equity Challenge later this week asking members about how they participated.
 - M. Fellows announced that UHLS is reviewing 2 contracts from two different vendors for staffing and board training. A contract will be awarded by August 2nd.
 - M. Fellows announced that the program with Stacy Collins will be available to watch later this week and encourages all TF members to view it.

Part II

- Breakout sessions
 - Programming, Staff Learning

Part III. Sharing of information and progress reporting of subgroups

- N. Hurteau reported that Programming is finalizing little details with the Gretchen Sorin Program, like scheduling a practice session for our speakers and host, and are ready to start looking at other programs.
- M. Fellows reported that staff learning worked on clarifying some content issues related to the training proposal.
- M. Fellows reported that the next learning circle is August 9th at 3pm for the article on “White Fragility.”

Part VI. Talking points

- M. Fellows asked the TF to summarize the talking points from today’s meeting
 - Update on Gretchen Sorin Marketing - still books to push!
 - Survey going out about 21 Day Equity Challenge

- o Responses to proposals in review, awarded by August 2nd
- o Announcement to DA about ATF becoming a committee on August 6th

Part VII. Debrief

- M. Fellows led the TF on a debriefing conversation

Next Meeting: August 13 @ 2pm

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm

Respectfully submitted, N. Hurteau