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# UPPER HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM

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Antiracism Task Force meeting, 8.26.21

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
	Adult services representative – Liz Maynard, RCS
x	Children’s services representative - Amy McCarthy, GUIL
	Teen services representative – vacant
	At large member – vacant

## Antiracism Task Force meeting minutes, 08/26/2021

### **Subgroups 2:00-3:00 pm**

- Staff Learning, Programming

### **Meeting called to order by M. Fellows at 3:02 pm**

**Minutes:** The 08/12/2021 meeting minutes were distributed and reviewed before the meeting and are now available on the UHLS website.

### Part I

- Chair Updates and Committee Reports
  - M. Fellows led the TF on a round of updates:
    - N. Hurteau reported back about the Gretchen Sorin Program. An email with the recording will be shared out to the library community and on social media. There were 150+ people registered and 62 people in attendance.
    - N. Hurteau reported that the programming subgroup will be back to focusing on best practices, and a call out for programs.
    - M. Fellows announced that the DA will be voting on the status of the ATF into the Racial Equity Committee (REC) on Friday, September 10th.
    - M. Fellows reported that there will be a survey sent out to the members to see where people are on Learning Circles
    - M. Fellows reported an update on Project Ready, an email will be sent out to those participating to inquire about participation and what will help them engage more. They may extend the deadline.
    - M. Fellows reported that the contract with our training vendor is still in negotiations, but we are getting closer to a final agreement.

### Part VI. Talking points

- M. Fellows asked the TF to summarize the talking points from today's meeting
  - N. Hurteau will have stats on the "Driving While Black Program,"
  - The staff/board training contract is still in negotiations
  - Transforming the ATF into a committee is still an ongoing process and will be officially voted on at the next DA meeting on September 10th and will be looking to appoint 3 new members in the early Fall.
  - Learning Circle 101 in September

**Next Meeting: September 9th @ 2pm for subgroups and 3pm for main meeting**

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 3:29 pm

Respectfully submitted, N. Hurteau