



# UPPER HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM

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Racial Equity Committee meeting, 2.11.22

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
	Large Library representative: Tor Loney, APL
	Adult services representative – Vacant
x	Children’s services representative - Amy McCarthy, GUIL
x	Teen services representative – Seth Strock, GUIL
x	At large member – Christian Gibeau, COHS

## REC meeting minutes, 2.11.22

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

- Canceled because of connections issues - Programming met at 10:00 am

### **Meeting called to order by M. Fellows at 3:03 pm**

**Minutes:** The previous 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 REC on a round of updates:
    - N. Hurteau reported that programming met earlier in the morning with REC helper Joe Burke of ALTM library. ALTM and GUIL libraries were working on a joint program with author Dr. Alice Green. T. Wiles recognized that this program could be the next REC system wide program and asked all parties to meet with REC programming subgroup. The program will be very similar to the Gretchen Sorin program. We are shooting for a Juneteenth date, 100 copies for patrons, and copies for libraries.
    - N. Hurteau reported that there is another demo for Collection HQ on Thursday, February 17th. The hope is that there is more library buy in. Also, T. Wiles reported that Senator Sean Ryan, after his listening tour at libraries across the state, had his staff reach out to GUIL for further discussion on Collection HQ. There has been discussion of potential funding for Collection HQ.
    - M. Fellows reported that UHLS board has signed up for the longest board training and GUIL will be signing up for the staff training in June.
    - M. Fellows reported there will be 4 learning circles for the year: two 101's and two 401's that will take place March 3rd, June 7th, September 14th and December 6th.
    - Project ready is still ongoing, the deadline has been extended for a year until 3/31/2022
    - M. Fellows reported that L. Maynard has left REC and has reached out to Danny Yetto from HOOOF fill the vacancy. M. Fellows will lead an orientation for S. Strock, C. Gibeau, and D. Yetto (if coming onto REC) sometime before the next REC.

### Part II. Talking points

- M. Fellows asked the REC to summarize the talking points from today's meeting
  - Second demo of Collection HQ for libraries will be on 2/17/22 - looking to get more buy in from member libraries
  - The next REC program is underway

**Next Meeting: February 24th @ 2pm for subgroups and 3pm for main meeting**

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 3:33 pm

Respectfully submitted, N. Hurteau