

**UHLS I Youth Services Advisory Council Meeting
Albany Public Library – Washington Ave. Branch
April 14, 2017**

Meeting

10:15 am - 12:00 pm

Attendance:

Mary Fellows (UHLS), Sarah Bowen (TROY), Barbara Goetschius (RCSC), Bryana Wachowiz (GUIL), Bethany Koehn (GUIL), Stephanie Preston (APLP), Aaron Norton (APLM), Anthony Stenta (APLM), Cassandra Krom (APLP), Lisa Neuman (APLM), Tor Loney (APL-East Branches), Kathy Stempel (BERN), Lee Ackerman-Sawyer (RVLL/WSTR), Joelle Adler (CAST)

Meeting Minutes:

Youth FX: What's It All About?

After a short introduction by Tor Loney of APL, Bhawin Suchak, executive director of Youth FX, presented the group, including a studio tour and viewing of films. Youth FX is a youth filmmaking organization that partners with Albany Public Library (APL). Youth FX is housed at APL and does projects with youth at its branches, as well as outside projects. Its goal is to introduce youth to the technical and creative aspects of digital film and media through intensive hands-on projects. One interesting aspect is to offer a pathway for working in the film industry. Youth FX is available to other libraries as possible source for multi-week youth film programs. Cost is somewhat negotiable. \$500+ is a ballpark. Contact: www.youthfx.org; 518-266-5566; bhawin74@gmail.com. A good process, if you hire them, is to borrow youth-made Youth FX videos from APL, screen them to your teens, then promote your upcoming class with them.

UHLS Updates

- SRP software: Rob Carle is ready to help with Beanstack, John Love's program, or the Evanced programs. Let us know what you need.

Libraries = Education

- Brief discussion of topics from April 7 Libraries = Education training that many directors attended. More to come.

News From You/You Name It

- Barbara Goetschius at RCS is having volunteers in the community fold origami doves and cranes for display in August for Hiroshima Remembrance Day and then string them

together to give back out to the community for September 21st, which is the International Day of Peace.

Next Meetings: May 12, June 9

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