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### LSAB Minutes October 2020

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I. In attendance: Sarah, Zahin, Mairwen, Rahma, Elizabeth, Rebecca, Maryke, Julie

II. Meet Julie, our administrative assistant!

- Julie worked in the military before she came to Hollins, and she appreciates how calm and quiet the library is, when compared to her previous job. She has a daughter in high school, and her husband was also in the military, but is now retired and teaches music.

III. (RS) Update on what we talked about last time

- Umbrella stand was moved, thanks for pointing that out!
- Antiracism book recommendation videos:
  - Interested in making a video recommendation of one of the titles from our Antiracist Bookshelf? We'd love to have one! Please fill out this form (and thank you to Zahin for making it!):  
  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeYcrr0uf5JHQwRdRBKn4vssR0wgKNP7wzxadaoqzWhsl80SQ/viewform>
- Maryke put flyers in the elevator, thanks Elizabeth.
- Still meeting with student groups – plan to share information with the library staff and LSAB after we've aggregated suggestions, etc.
  - This is on-going. Hoping to meet with 2-3 groups per semester. We will update you after a couple of meetings in the coming weeks. We plan to update the library staff and LSAB.
  - Example: the Muslim Student Association let us know that our copies of the Qur'an were shelved in a place that is disrespectful toward Islam. The books have been moved to a new location.

IV. Student updates or questions?

- Chairs in the building. Can someone check the ones on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor study room? One student sat in a chair where the fabric was coming off.
  - Yes, we can do that and will switch it out with a better chair.
  - A little bit of background about repairing chairs: Many of the chairs are from when the building was built in 1999, so we periodically send chairs for repairs. Please let us know if you find others that need to be fixed?

IV. (MB) Outreach to student groups – who is in what group?

- From a member: does that include housing-related groups? E.g. Carvin

- We hadn't thought about this! Please send us a list. Houses have meetings and perhaps we could meet drop-in to the meetings and discuss the library. ○
- We've always taken suggestion from students for books to add to our collection, but we now have a form that you can use: [https://hollins.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_bDzi2QTIFLcfMW1](https://hollins.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bDzi2QTIFLcfMW1)
  - Please make recommendations! We don't have an unlimited budget, but we want to make our collection as diverse as possible and take your suggestions seriously. If you make a suggestion, you will receive a response from us.

#### V. (MB) Events.

- Leading EDJ day – Tomorrow! The library has sponsored a talk with Jennifer Oast, author of *Institutional slavery : slaveholding churches, schools, colleges, and businesses in Virginia, 1680-1860*. This book includes a chapter about Hollins, and that will be the focus of her discussion with University Librarian, Luke Vilelle.
  - This book is available as a ebook: [https://hollins-primo.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/f/1f6srvp/01HOLLINS\\_ALMA51100749910003751](https://hollins-primo.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/f/1f6srvp/01HOLLINS_ALMA51100749910003751)
- Beanstalk in November:
  - This time: poet Heid Erdrich on Thursday, Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. There will be a book giveaway of her latest collection *Little Big Bully* the week before.
  - Next spring: graphic novelist Nora Krug!
- What else should we do?
  - Suggestion: Low-stress book club discussion (e.g. not scholarly!)
  - Virtual write-in?
    - We did this last year as a virtual study hall. It sounds like it appeals to people with their friends or with faculty members, but it doesn't necessarily have to be the library putting it on. The consensus was that it works best with your friend group or a class group (something in common).
  - (Exam) snack bags?
    - You won't be here for exams 😊 So these are now pre-exams care packages! Pick-up before you leave in November.
      - There was interest from many members in these snack bags, so we will make this happen. Maryke will reach out for volunteers to help package bags as the time nears.
  - Film discussion (Wiseman's NYPL)?
    - There is interest! Perhaps a January offering? Maryke will suggest it as an option for J-Term programming.