ULSTER COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

June 18, 2019

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

☐ John Giralico (Elting Memorial Library, New Paltz)	☑ Julie Kelsall-Dempsey (Highland Public Library)
☐ Christina Jennerich (Marlboro Public Library)	☐ Gisi Vella (Morton Memorial Library, Pine Hill)
☐ Chrissy Lawlor (Olive Free Library Association)	☐ Liz Potter (Phoenicia Library)
☐ (Plattekill Public Library)	☐ Wendy Alexander (Rosendale Library)
□ Lois Skelly (Sarah Hull Hallock Free Lib, Milton)	
	☐ Brooke Dittmar (Town of Esopus Lib, Port Ewen)
☐ Jessica Kerr (Woodstock Public Library)	
☐ Nancy Krom (Cragsmoor Free Library)	☐ Kristin Fowler (Ellenville Public Library)
☐ Nicole Lane (Gardiner Library)	☐ Lisa Palmer (Wallkill Public Library)
UCLA Board Member: Lynne Ridgeway	

The meeting of the Ulster County Library Association was called to order by Margie Menard at 10:05am at the Hurley Library.

Mid-Hudson Library System: Nina Acosta presented a training on how to use an Overdrive Advantage Plus Account.

Minutes: Margie Menard made a motion to approve the April meeting minutes, 2nd. Approved.

Nomination Committee: A majority of the UCLA board has approved the appointments until the annual meeting in September. Kristen Campbell agreed to replace Kara Lustiber as secretary for the UCLA. Kara Lustiber agreed to replace Brooke Dittmar as treasurer for the UCLA.

Selection Committee (report attached):

MHLS Staff Members: Rebekkah Smith Aldrich, Nina Acosta

Ancestry Renewal – The committee recommends retaining Ancestry.com plus home access to Fold3 (military records) and HeritageQuest. The budget currently includes enough to renew Ancestry at 11,164. If libraries vote to increase dues, the UCLA can afford to purchase all three databases for \$13,000.

The committee informed the Mid-Hudson Library System that the county would like their databases listed in Encore. The system will investigate what content from Universal Class will be available in the catalog.

Dues Increase (report attached): The UCLA board recommends an increase to the UCLA dues for the membership. The dues have not been increased in several years. An increase will enable the organization the option to provide more services to the county libraries.

PR Committee:

Universal Class Publicity Update:

- Katie Scott-Childress recommends wearing the provided advertising buttons or attaching them to a lanyard. She has found this to be an effective selling technique.
- Contact Margie Menard at the Kingston Library for Universal Class publicity materials.

PSA Announcements: Tracey Priest and Margie Menard have been working with Radio Kingston to produce these. The next PSA will be about the Summer Reading Program and Spanish/English Learning through UCLA databases such as Pongalo and Mango.

Festival Tables: The Pride Festival was a well-attended event. Margie recommended to take a table at in future years. The Catskill Mountain Story Festival included many visitors from out of system.

Annual Dinner: The committee decided that the fifth Monday in September would be the best day to hold the dinner. Venue suggestions include the Highland Library, Mariner Harbor, and the 1850 House.

New Business: None

Next UCLA Meeting Tuesday, July 16th at the Ellenville Library.

Margie Menard made a motion to adjourn at 11:45, 2nd. Approved.

Kristen Campbell

Secretary

Proposed UCLA Dues 2020

Whereas County Funding has not kept pace with pricing of services; and

Whereas County Association dues have been stagnant for many years,

It is the recommendation of the UC Board and Selection committee to increase dues based on the following table based on Operating Budgets:

Operating Budgets:

Up to \$100,000. \$75.00 per year

\$100,001. -\$250,000. \$100.00 per year

\$250,001. -\$500,000. \$125.00 per year

Over \$500,000. \$150.00 per year

Ancestry.com Renewal

Three options:

Ancestry.com (Four locations: Ellenville, Esopus, Saugerties, and Marlboro)	\$5,580
Ancestry.com (In library use by bookmark or Static IP)	\$11,164
Ancestry.com (In library use by bookmark or Static IP)	\$13,000
Fold3 (home access)	
HeritageQuest (home access)	

Usage for 2018 was 13097.

Usage for 2019 (Jan-May) was 8771.

<u>Ancestry Library Edition</u> offers instant access to a wide range of unique resources for genealogical and historical research. With more than 1.5 billion names in over 4,000 databases, Ancestry Library Edition includes records from the United States Census; military records; court, land and probate records; vital and church records; directories; passenger lists and more! These collections are continuously expanding, with new content added every business day.

<u>Fold3 Library Edition</u> by Ancestry provides convenient access to US military records, including the stories, photos, and personal documents of the men and women who served. It costs Ancestry.com users \$49.95 to use.

<u>HeritageQuest</u> contains essential collections of genealogical and historical sources - with coverage dating back to the 1700s. The collection consists of five core data sets:

- U.S. Federal Censuses feature the original images of every extant federal census in the United States, from 1790 through 1940, slave, veteran, and non-population schedules, and more related content.
- Genealogy and local history books provide more than 7 million digitized page images from over 28,000 family histories, local histories, and other books.
- Revolutionary War records provides access to the complete NARA Series M804 collection Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application Files, a collection of an estimated
 83,000 application files from officers and enlisted men who served in the Revolutionary War in all
 branches of the American military: army, navy, and marines.
- Freedman's Bank Records, with more than 480,000 names of bank applicants, their dependents, and heirs from 1865–1874, offers valuable data that can provide important clues to tracing African American ancestors and researching the Reconstruction Era.

Links to the following content are also available to the following collections:

• U.S. Congressional Serial Set records the memorials, petitions, private relief actions made to the U.S. Congress back to 1789, with a total of more than 480,000 pages of information.