

**Reads-To-Go Committee Meeting**  
**(via Go-To-Meeting)**  
**Monday Dec. 6, 2021**

**Present:** Brianna Hemmah, Michele Ricca, Martha Simmons

**Call to Order/Acceptance of Minutes:** Brianna called the meeting to order at 3:15 pm. Changes to the Agenda were requested. The minutes from the September 27, 2021 meeting were approved.

**Old Business:**

- **Bylaw Changes**
  - The Committee discussed the Bylaw changes and whether anyone was interested in becoming the READS-to-Go Chair in the future. No one is interested at this time.
  - Membership in the READS-to-Go Committee is dwindling, so it was decided that a promotional email would be sent out in January.
- **Kit Update**
  - Brianna gave a progress report for the pending kits. *Beekeeper's Apprentice*, *New Jim Crow*, *A Year of Silence*, *Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man*, *Girl with the Louding Voice*, and *The House in the Cerulean Sea* have all been activated.
  - *Born a Crime* and *Underground Railroad* are still being processed.

**New Business:**

- **Potential NH KitKeeper Participants**
  - The committee discussed requests to include St. Anselm College and South Berwick Library of Maine in the NH KitKeeper. The members were generally enthusiastic about outside interest in NH KitKeeper. St Anselm's College has a van stop through NHCUC at the State Library, so it would be feasible. The South Berwick Maine Library intends to partner with Somersworth Library over the border to get the kits, if they are allowed. The question will be brought before the READS Board in January.
- **Youth Kits**
  - Hudson still has the withdrawn *Ender's Game* kit and would like to know if they should just get rid of the books and send back the bag. The committee has decided to contact the youth sections one more time to see if they are interested in

developing youth kits. If they remain uninterested Hudson will send back the bag.

- **Year End Statistics**

- 29 Kits did not circulate in 2021. Brianna will contact the host libraries of the 4 that have circulated the least to see if they would like to purchase new titles or withdraw their kit and send the bag back. They are *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*, *My Sister's Keeper*, *The Road*, and *Eat Pray Love*.

- **Book Discussion:**

- **Books Approved for Kits:** The Committee went through the list of books that had been approved for kits and removed a few that have waned in popularity. They moved several over from the potentials list including *Black Sun*, *The Great Circle*, *The Paper Palace*, and *Summer Seekers*.
- **Potential Books for Kits:** The Committee removed a few potential titles and added a number of prospective titles.
- **Google Form for the Website:** It was decided that we should add a google form to the READS-to-Go page of the READS section on the NHLA website, so that non-committee members can submit the titles they would like to see as kits. Martha is doing a mock-up of the form to show to the committee.

**Next meeting:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm. Brianna will email us all with potential dates for the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brianna Hemmah