Committees

The basis for the establishment of WNYLRC committees is found in the WNYLRC Bylaws. The WNYLRC Board of Trustees assigns the charge to each committee. There are WNYLRC Board of Trustees Committees, WNYLRC Standing Committees, Discussion Groups, and Special (Ad Hoc) task groups. Excepting the Executive Committee, the relationship of committees to the Board of Trustees is advisory in nature. (See Committee Guidelines for more details and download Meeting Minutes Template to record minutes at your next meeting.)

The Executive Committee of the WNYLRC Board of Trustees is responsible for creating standing committees and appointing to the standing committees individuals from member institutions.

The Executive Committee has identified the following standing committees and their charges:

- Committee for Health Information Access (CHIA)
- Continuing Education Committee (CE)
- Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Anti-Racism Committee (EDIAR)
- High School to College Committee (HS2C)
- Library Education, Advancement, and Partnerships Committee (LEAP)
- Preservation Committee
- Regional Advisory Committee (RAC)
- Resource Sharing Committee (RSC)
- Western New York Library Support Staff Committee (WNYLSS)

Additionally some standing committees may have many subcommittees. The creation of subcommittees for standing committees are at the discretion of the standing committee members and may be advisory in nature for short- or long-term projects.

WNYLRC supports various types of committees or groups aside from standing committees.

Discussion groups, although not formally established WNYLRC committees, provide the opportunity for individuals from WNYLRC member institutions to discuss issues pertinent to a specific audience with similar interests such as the WNY Reference Services Forum. These discussion groups use the WNYLib-l listserv to post meeting dates and/or topics of discussion and if needed can utilize WNYLRC meeting space to hold events.

Some committees such as the Committee Chair Persons Committee and the Academic Libraries Directors Group are similar to discussion groups but are coordinated through WNYLRC staff and have official meeting minutes and agendas.
The WNYLRC Executive Director and the WNYLRC Board President serve Ex officio on all WNYLRC standing committees.