



# UNDERGROUND RAILROAD EDUCATION CENTER

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Tuesday, July 21, 2026

Underground Railroad Education Center researches and preserves the local and national history of the Underground Railroad movement, its international connections, and its legacy to today's social justice issues, thereby empowering people of all ages to be agents of change toward an equitable and just society.

1. Call to Order
2. Ellie Burhans – Finalizing Board Membership
3. Approval of the Minutes of the May 12, 2026 meeting
4. Financial Reports
4. Executive Director's Report – Written and verbal report
5. Committee Reports – Fund Development /Collections /Governance /Strategic Planning
6. Discussion of Interpretive Center Project/Myers Restoration
  - A. Status of Interpretive Center Lawsuit with NEH
  - B. Outcome of Non-Profit Finance Fund Conversations
  - C. Myers Restoration (More progress on steps)
7. Old Business
  - None
8. New Business – New Board Members [Sarah Kirby]/Board Participation
  - Artist Talk: Beyond the River – July 30 at 7:30pm at AMBACC
  - YALI Open House – August 6<sup>th</sup> 2pm to 4pm
9. Adjournment

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