ULC MINUTES
University Library Committee
Monday, Sept. 18, 2017
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Memorial Library, Room 362
Minutes prepared by Michael Cohen

(* denotes members in attendance)

Voting Members

Faculty
- Cecile Ane, Botany and Statistics *
- Catherine Arnott Smith, Library & Information Studies *
- Yang Bai, Physics
- Lisa Bratzke, School of Nursing *
- Sabine Gross, German *
- Eneida Mendonca, Biostatistics and Medical Informatics *
- Sarah Thal, History *
- Alessandro Senes, Biochemistry *

Academic Staff
- Cid Freitag, DoIT *
- Carol Pech, School of Medicine and Public Health

University Staff
- [2 vacant positions]

Students
- [3 vacant positions]

Ex Officio Members (non-voting)
- Ian Benton, College Library *
- Michael Cohen, Cataloging & Metadata Services, Libraries *
- Bonnie Shucha for Steven Barkan (LCC Liaison), Law Library *
- Philip Braithwaite, Budget, Planning, & Analysis *
- Florence Hsia (MLC Liaison), History *
- Dennis Lloyd, Director, University of Wisconsin Press *
- Ed Van Gemert, Vice Provost for Libraries *
Also Present
- Jim Jonas, MERIT Library *
- Carrie Nelson, Scholarly Communication, Libraries *
- David Pavelich, Director of Special Collections & Archives *

Agenda

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- Introductions
  - All ULC members and guests introduced themselves
  - New members for FY18
    - Lisa Bratzke (pending confirmation as replacement for Leema Berland)
    - Alessandro Senes
    - Michael Cohen (succeeding Julie Arensdorf for Libraries)

- Committee Charge: review of Faculty Policies and Procedures 6.46
  - Sabine noted that while the committee continues to fulfill a crucial faculty governance function, its charge as described in FPP was unrealistic in scope given how the library's administrative structure has evolved over the past several decades. ULC therefore relies on library administrative staff to identify issues for ULC to work on in depth.
At the news of Ed’s impending retirement (in May 2018), Sabine praised his ability to work with “complicated constituencies across campus.”

There will be ULC involvement in the search for a new Vice Provost for Libraries.

Ed acknowledged the role of ULC in developing library consolidation plans, as a response to campus space needs.

Ed will also rely on ULC in the coming year to evaluate the libraries’ Master Facility Plan which will address such issues as:
- Print vs. electronic resources
- Storage vs. accessibility
- Longevity and reliability
- Library staffing needs (which may differ by discipline)

Ed also stressed that “it’s your committee, not mine” and welcomes ULC initiatives.

- **UW Libraries’ Organization**
  
  Ed reviewed the tripartite nature of campus libraries:
  - General Library System (GLS) [which reports to the Vice Provost for Libraries]
  - Professional libraries [which report to the Deans of professional schools]
  - Special purpose libraries [which generally report to department chairs or program directors]

  The Library Coordinating Council (LCC) includes the directors of major libraries and assures consistency of services across campus.

  FY18 marks the first time that our collections/materials budget will be higher than our personnel budget (in line with our other Assn. of Research Libraries [ARL] peers).

  Ed also reviewed the libraries’ administrative structure:
  - Nancy Graff Schultz, Associate Director for Administration
  - Lee Konrad, Associate University Librarian for Technology Strategies and Data Services
  - Lesley Moyo, Associate University Librarian for Public Services
  - Doug Way, Associate University Librarian for Collections and Research Services

- **Announcements & Priorities**
  
  - The Library Facilities Master Plan will require a thorough vetting in FY18
  - Ed hopes to advocate to the Provost for non-athletic budgets to receive a larger portion of the Big 10 Network revenues.
  - Library consolidation continues to be an immediate focus.
  - Open Access policy is an increasingly important area that needs attention.
  - Library security (while maintaining access) is a new issue given the recent incident at Memorial Library.

- **May ULC Minutes: Approved**
• **Annual Report: Distributed**

• **Article Discussion: *The Multifarious Book***
  
  o Sarah: Print seems better adapted than electronic for preserving multiple versions of a text over time to support historical analysis
  
  o Florence: Online journals preserve the individual article out of context from the entire journal issue
  
  o Sabine: The article focuses on the book merely as a carrier of text, and not as a technology adapted to human learning
  
  o Sarah: E-Resources are still too new to know their true long-term maintenance and preservation costs
  
  o Ed: Print vs. electronic is a false dichotomy; we need both moving forward (as well as new media like streaming audio and video)
  
  o Sabine: We need better measures of comparative worth, since circulation counts uses of an entire book whereas electronic usage measures clicks into individual chapters or articles
  
  o Dennis: Users ideally want both; keyword searching helps evaluate a text which is then preferred in print
  
  o Eneida: Electronic texts (especially in STEM) are necessary for teaching as printed texts are too expensive for students to acquire
  
  o Lisa: In some fields the print is too quickly out of date
  
  o Sabine: This highlights the differences in information needs between different academic disciplines

• **Suggestions for Priorities in 2017-2018: Discussed above under Announcements & Priorities**

• **New Business**
  
  o Open Access Policy: to be discussed at the October ULC meeting
  
  o Meeting location to rotate
    
    ▪ Oct: Law
    
    ▪ Nov: MERIT