University Library Committee  
November 13, 2018  
9:00-10:00 AM  
BioCommons  
110A Steenbock Library  
550 Babcock Drive  
Minutes prepared by Ellen Jacks

(* denotes member in attendance)

Voting Members

Faculty
- Catherine Arnott Smith, Library & Information Studies
- Lisa Bratzke, School of Nursing
- Richard Chappell, Biostatistics & Medical Informatics
- Sabine Gross, German *
- Alessandro Senes, Biochemistry*
- Sarah Thal, History *
- Amy Trentham-Dietz, Population Health Sciences*
- Jordan Zweck, English*

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

University Staff
- Jordan Hanson, University Relations*
- Theresa Pillar-Groesbeck, Theatre & Drama*

Students
- Jesse Hocking *
- Melissa Juvinall *
- Andrew Pietroske *

Ex Officio Members (non-voting)
- Philip Braithwaite, Budget, Planning, & Analysis
- Lisa Carter, Vice Provost for Libraries and University Librarian *
- Michael Cohen, Cataloging & Metadata Services, Libraries *
- Ellen Jacks, Grants & Public Services Librarian*
- Daniel Kapust (MLC Liaison), Political Science
- Dennis Lloyd, Director, University of Wisconsin Press
- Bonnie Shucha (LCC Liaison), Law Library
• Libby Theune, Friends & Libraries Administration

Also Present
• Susan Barribeau
• Deb Helman
• Carrie Kruse
• Anna Lewis
• Lesley Moyo
• Doug Way
• Barb Hamel
• Jean Ruenger-Hanson

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Future Meetings and Topics for 2018: 2nd Tuesday at 9 AM

December 11 – Equity & Diversity Committee

Approval of minutes and Announcement
Minutes approved with minor corrections

Re-imagining the SEL Libraries (Deb Helman)

History timeline
Steenbock has been expanding and working to redefine mission beyond agricultural sciences
2016: GLS Science and Engineering Libraries (SEL) created

Goals and principles of SEL
• Build future services and collections
• Team approach: agility and innovation
• Transcend library locations
• Drive service development
• Diversity and inclusion
• Trust and engagement

General themes:
• Moving away from a liaison to a team approach to a group of researchers
• Working to expand engagement with researchers and to promote researcher impact and visibility
  o Small campus-wide study that is looking at researcher workflow, as well as looking at the Ithaka S-R Information Use Studies
  o Using complementary skill sets to provide expertise to and engage with researchers
    ▪ New data specialist has more of a researcher perspective
  o Driving and participating in various programs and services to support research
    ▪ Ex.: Research data management (RDS), funding requirements, and researchERS
  o Scholarly Communication to help measure and track research impact and scholarly profiles
• Innovation team and entrepreneurship team received funds for Think, Make, Investigate
  o Carts, kits, and supplies to prototype, develop new ideas
• Challenges of consolidation
  o Figuring out the collections piece, what is most important to keep?
  o Wendt in particular
  o Physics, Astronomy, Math: successfully engage the faculty in collections question
  o How do we create a process that works for faculty and library staff
  o Moving stuff can hold up re-imagining the future: finding the balance

GLS Collection Policy Discussion

General concerns:
• Are our subject librarians spread too thin, resulting in not as strong expertise in their area(s)?
• Research needs to be a high priority in our policy and philosophy
• Preservation needs to be a priority as well
• Who makes decisions with academic press publications and automatic purchasing plans?
• Compromise is needed between libraries where materials degrade and high density climate controlled storage that lacks browseability
• Still need to value the needs of individual or small groups of researchers. The big picture may homogenize our collections. There are tensions between framing collections goals in terms of user needs and behaviors (and responding to the needs of most people) and being an institution that is known for resources in multiple languages and lesser-known area-studies fields
• Need to include pain points in library communications
General response to concerns:

- Research is a priority; our word order (having research listed last) reflects national word order. The most important item is frequently at the end.
- We count on our librarians to have a say in purchasing and preservation.
- Our approval plans are set up by our librarians. We also use expertise from other librarians and booksellers.
- Over time, our librarians give our vendors feedback to help get better materials and to continue to craft the plan.
- We don’t have the resources to collect for today’s needs, but strive for breadth at the network level. We are $5 million below the Big Ten average in annual collections budget.
- Other administrators understand inflation. We need to tell stories on researchers and offer solutions: collect wisely for needs on this campus, goals for a research library, examples, like Deb’s, of what we are doing for researchers. Collections and resources need to be a part of this story.
- We can’t solve this just by being transparent. We need concrete solutions to redirect resources. Let’s think about how we can articulate the challenges and provide solutions/proposal/strategies.

New business

- Spring meeting time: 4th Wednesday 9
- Secretary of Faculty office reached out: ULC has a non-voting rep on the campus planning committee
  - Lesley is on now, what is the term?
  - Also, Lesley is not officially part of ULC
  - SG will follow up