

**COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY & SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION
MINUTES
January 18, 2018**

Present: Jennifer Horne (*chair*), David Brundage (*W&S*), Michael Cowan, Kyle Parry, Elizabeth Cowell (ex-officio), Alix Norton (LAUC Chair), Rachel Jaffe (LAUC Vice Chair), Gabriela Ramirez-Chavez (GSR),

Absent: Chelsea Blackmore (*F&S*), Mircea Teodorescu, Karen Ottemann

Announcements & Member's Item

The Science & Engineering (S&E) Library taskforce is now led by Professor Donald Smith due to AVPAA Martin Berger's other obligations. The meetings have consisted of various student groups presenting their case to be able to occupy space in the S&E Library. Chair Horne raised her concern about the lack of discussion relating to research specific priorities.

Librarian Cowell shared that the campus has subscription to the *New York Times* through Proquest but the campus will lose access soon because the Library will not be able to afford the cost increase.

The committee raised questions relating to the S&E Library services: Will it serve graduate student (e.g. materials, space, etc) or focus on the existing growth of undergraduate? Is it a service unit for faculty? If so, what sort of services does that encompass? Librarian Cowell shared that the Planning and Budget Office has created a space plan to provide to the donor.

The committee will focus on Open Access 2020 Expression of Interest during winter quarter with the goal of becoming a signatory. Other pertinent issues included the campus' strategic academic planning and journal subscription costs.

Proposed Presidential Policy on Open Access for Theses & Dissertations

The committee reviewed the proposed policy and members began a preliminary discussion. They would like to address the merits of the language relating to embargo and delaying open access. Members considered inviting VPDGS Tyrus Miller to consult with the committee and possibly follow up with Graduate Council.

Mechanism for Ongoing Analysis of Licensed Material Access

The Chair briefly debriefed her meeting with the CP/EVC, Senate Leadership, and Associate University Librarian about the journal subscription memo. The committee inquired about the type of impact from the decrease funding of \$260,000 to the journal subscriptions. Librarian Cowell shared that systemwide negotiations are being held up by our campus and requested the committee to consult with Associate Librarian John Bono and Associate Librarian Kerry Scott regarding the journal subscriptions. She plans to post the list of journal subscription on the Library's website

Members discussed the need to learn more about faculty access and use data (browsing, teaching, or scholarship) and if a limited case study would be possible to have a tailored approach to reviewing periodicals and journals. They would like to fully understand the issue prior to providing advice to Librarian Cowell on the requested criteria to eliminate subscriptions, and to ascertain the financial situation of the Library. The committee would like to consult with the Senate Executive Committee, CEP, COR, GC, and COT and discussed developing a regularly scheduled discussion to aid the Library in the decision making process.

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