

**DRAFT**  
**COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY & SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION**  
**MINUTES**  
**February 1, 2018**

**Present:** Jennifer Horne (*chair*), David Brundage (*W&S*), Michael Cowan, Kyle Parry, Mircea Teodorescu, Karen Ottemann, Elizabeth Cowell (*ex-officio*), Alix Norton (LAUC Chair), Rachel Jaffe (LAUC Vice Chair), Gabriela Ramirez-Chavez (GSR), Kerry Scott (Guest), John Bono (Guest), Michael Wolfe (Guest)

**Absent:** Chelsea Blackmore (*F&S*)

**Announcements**

The committee reviewed the updated charge and decided to further amend by adding a process mechanism that would annually direct the committee to engage with the Library Administration.

LAUC Representatives plan to provide the committee regular updates moving forward.

**Strategic Academic Plan**

The committee decided they would like to respond to AVPAA Martin Berger request for comments on the strategic academic plan. Members noted that barrier to both research and teaching is due to the diminishment of the Libraries budget, Open Access, and lack of space. Members would like to be a part of the implementation process, the new plan will have large implications because of the potential reshuffling of priorities. The campus needs to invest in becoming in Association of Research Libraries if it wants to have Association of American University membership. It was unclear if this academic strategic plan will be different from the previous plan or if it will be a radical shift or will re-affirm the past strategic plan. The committee would like to keep the Library at the forefront of the campus efforts and that its encompass in the Long Range Development Plan and Strategic Academic Plan. In addition, members would like to continue to advocate that the Library's budget is not further reduced.

**Consult with UC Davis Scholarly Communications Officer Michael Wolfe**

Chair Horned invited Officer Wolfe to consult with the committee on UC Davis' campus process to bring faculty on board with signing onto the Open Access 2020 Expression of Interest. Members noted that understanding the pro and con of signing on would be useful, since there is broad consensus from faculty on the principles of Open Access. A member raised his concern that it will be challenging to go against publishers, in which he responded that UC has a working group to create a roadmap to describe different path or approaches. He continued to share that signing the Expression of Interest does not require much from the campus, rather it's the process of enacting the principles that may be difficult and controversial.

**Consultation with Associate Librarian Kerry Scott**

At the last meeting, members consulted with Librarian Scott on the lists of journals that would be considered for cancellation, along with the usage data. The committee also slated for the discussion to include creating an ongoing mechanism to engage on journal subscription with the Librarians. Librarian Scott wanted to focus on the criteria to make decision. She wanted to clarify the process to propose decision making questions for the committee, for example when is the best time and the best approach to get faculty's attention. The committee raised the following questions:

- Interlibrary Loan (ILL): What is the cost of document delivery? How has ILL changed? How fast can faculty receive materials via ILL?
- Members are concerned about issues of fairness and equity. How will the Library approach issue political issues given there can be forceful advocate? Or manage representation of smaller division or larger undergraduate students? Graduate Students: Will it affect graduate student research? Can we look specifically at where graduate students research is dependent and in what areas are we training graduate students
- Communicate to faculty how our local compares to other local library decisions. Why are there local versus CDL lists? What is the local managed here as opposed to other places? Would it be possible to provide information on why is there a local versus CDL? Us versus other UC campus. Is it possible to see how other campus handle the local subscription?
- Can the Library define access? Functionally, the time and ease for faculty and students to access information
- Could the Librarians explain how the journals are conglomerated or bundled? What are the packages? How are these journals organized into bundles? And then what is the cost for dropping one if it means we lose? How much does it cost? Library can provide publisher/vendor and cost information. CDL is looking at all the list for negotiations next year, provides the UCSC an opportunity to advocate.

- What is the percentage of the cost going toward database? Any evidence or how well they overlapping?
- In reviewing the journal subscription, would it be possible to support Open Access or related society/entity? Available in the UC?
- What percent of the funding goes to the databases?
- What about access to back issues? If the subscription is cancel, will the old subscriptions still be accessible? The library does not have perpetual access or usage data.

Members inquired when the decisions for the journal subscription will need to made but the timeframe is still unclear. The committee discussed briefly if feedback should be passed through the Senate committees or directly to the deans and individual departments. It would be useful to frame the discussion for faculty and provide the Library's rationale for the decisions. Members noted that it would a good opportunity to reach out to departments on the Open Access issue. Departments are currently going through the program learning outcome process, this has implication on the impact for Library resources.

#### **Consultation with Associate University Librarian John Bono**

Librarian Cowell shared that UC Libraries are in a crisis and each campus is behaving differently depending on the resources available. They need an increase to permanent funding. Librarian Bono presented to the committee the summary of the permanent and one-time budget. The permanent budget is funded at a deficit and the Library is using open provisions to cover the library's expenses. He noted that there are no simple targets for reduction, all reductions will affect the Library's services and programs. Member would like to better understand if it would be possible to shift other funding to assist with the Collections budget.