

COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY AND SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION  
MINUTESThursday, May 9, 2019  
11:45am-1:15 p.m., 4221 McHenry Library

Present: Alessia Cecchet (Graduate Student Rep), Chris Chen, Elizabeth Cowell, (University Librarian, ex officio), Brent Haddad, Abe Stone, Rebecca Hurdis (Senate Analyst), Ann Hubble (LAUC Vice Chair), Rachel Jaffe (LAUC Chair), Justin Marion, Karen Ottemann, (Chair)

Absent: Don Brenneis, Kelsey Mcdaid (Undergraduate Rep),

**I. Announcements and Members' Items**

Chair provided an update regarding the meeting with the Library Student Advisory Council. In addition to the COLASC chair, in attendance at the meeting were the president, secretary and 2 librarians. Greg Carrega gave a presentation about the S&E renovations. It was discussed that COLASC there should be more engagement and communication between LSAC and COLASC.

Chair received an inquiry about whether or not start up funds could be used for Open Access publications. This is the [Library's FAQs page](#) regarding this issue.

**II. Consultation with AUL Kerry Scott: Update on Faculty Survey**

Committee asked AUL Scott regarding new faculty start up funds are being spent. The funds have been currently on hold while determining the outcomes of the journal cancellations.

The library was given annual funds in the late fall by the CPEVC to support the collection budget, however these funds do not have any increase for inflation across the library's collection budget. This infusion delayed the urgency to cancel journal subscriptions.

IRAPS has been synthesizing the data from the fall Faculty Survey regarding journal cancellations but the final report is still not complete. The committee discussed how the results of the faculty survey should be communicated campus wide and the importance of explaining the context of the survey. Using the data from IRAPS, the library needs information from faculty and students regarding priorities of journal collections (both print and online) and their accessibility and availability. It was raised that divisions and departments should be more engaged in prioritizing the importance of relevant journals.

Committee members inquired why some of the journals are not part of a CDL negotiated package. AUL Scott explained that CDL-negotiated deals do not always result in lower costs across the campuses and that sometimes it makes more sense for campuses to subscribe individually. A couple of years ago, a systemwide library group reviewed journals subscribed to by multiple libraries that were not managed and licensed by the CDL and. The review was conducted to look for opportunities to save on subscription fees. At the time it did not result in opportunities for more shared subscriptions at lower cost to the libraries. AUL Scott will inquire about whether another review is planned. AUL Scott recommended that the library send an update campuswide before June

regarding the current status and next steps with the faculty survey. This email will include the context that despite the collection funds from the CPEVC, the financial conditions that precipitated the cancellations still exist.

**Action:** AUL Scott will share the email with the COLASC Chair ahead of sending it out

### **III. Consultation with Greg Carrega: Update on S&E Library Renovation**

Greg provided a project timeline update regarding the S&E Library renovation for anticipated reopening in January 2020. The H-VAC system, acoustic performance, access to AC and USB power, new paint and carpet will be installed for re-opening in January 2020. If the project budget allows, 2 gender neutral bathrooms will be added and possibly a laptop bar.

Currently, there is some furniture out that is in the S&E library for test use on the 3rd floor.

The former map room is now part of the Digital Scholarship Commons. There is a 3-D printer that everyone will have access to.

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