University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee

Libraries Committee
2011-2012 Faculty Senate Report
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Functions/Responsibilities:

A3.4 Libraries Committee

(1) Membership. Seventeen members as follows: eight elected faculty members, at least one from each division; two appointed academic staff members; three students, one of whom is a graduate student. The academic staff members are appointed by the Chancellor upon recommendation of the Academic Staff Committee. The Chancellor, the Director of the Libraries, the Graduate Dean, and a representative of the UWM Alumni Association are ex-officio members.

(Document 2169, 12/17/98; UWM Administration approval, 12/30/98)
(Document 2330, 5/14/02, UWM Administration approval, 5/31/02)
(Document 2364, 11/21/02, UWM Administration approval, 11/28/02)

(2) Functions.
a) Represents the interest and authority of the university faculty in archives and library affairs and in the establishment of policy.
b) Makes recommendations for faculty action.
c) Advises the Director of the Libraries concerning administrative operation of the Archives and Libraries.
d) Establishes a subcommittee with the UWM archivist and public records custodian as ex-officio members to advise on archives policy and operations. The Director of the Libraries is responsible for the actual operation of the Archives.

(Document 1016, 3/17/77; UWM Administration approval, 3/30/77)
(Document 1308, 4/22/82; UWM Administration approval, 4/29/82)
(Document 2319, 12/20/01; UWM Administration approval, 12/28/01)
(Document 2364, 11/21/02; UWM Administration approval, 11/28/02)

Meetings:
During semester I, 2011-12, the University Libraries Committee (ULC) met three times (10/17, 11/28, 12/13); during semester II, the committee has met two times (2/16, 3/28), to this point.

Major Accomplishments/Actions

- Continued support and assisted with implementation of Wisconsin Research Fellows, a project launched by the Council of University of Wisconsin Libraries (CUWL) to extend UW-Madison’s electronic resources to select UW System faculty for up to 12 months. 25 faculty asked for renewal and 25 faculty applied for the first time and all 50 were accepted for the most recent term.
- Revised the application form and prepared a request to the Provost to increase the number of recipients of Chancellor’s Golda Meir Library Scholar Award (CGMLSA) given to outstanding graduate students for their research, recognizing the increasing number of students requesting funding. This increased level of interest has made this grant very competitive. Up until last year the success rate was around 5%. The success rate for this round will be less than 3%, based on the increased number of applicants.
- Discussed open access efforts on campus and reviewed the campus taskforce plans.
- Considered cost-saving strategies for Interlibrary Loan service.
- Endorsed the shortening of open hours on Saturday, based on low gate counts, from 9 am to 8 pm, to 10 am to 7 pm, and closing on Saturdays during the summer to meet budget cuts.
- Invited the Provost to the May meeting of the ULC to discuss various library issues.

During the 2011-12 year, the Libraries:

- Celebrated, in partnership with the Graduate School, 83 faculty authors at a recognition ceremony in September.
o Received a third award (two received in 2010-11) for digital collection March on Milwaukee: Civil Rights History Project.
   i. The Society of American Archivists (SAA) awarded the Philip M. Namer and Elizabeth Hamer Kegan Award to the team that put this together.
   ii. The American Association of State and Local History selected it to win the 2011 Award of Merit.
   iii. It also received the 2011 Governor's Award for Archival Achievement which is sponsored by the Wisconsin Historical Records Advisory Board and the Wisconsin Historical Society.

o Joined with Milwaukee Repertory Theatre and Milwaukee Public Library in the Big Read sponsored by NEA grant to promote “To Kill a Mockingbird”.

o Hosted two visitors from the University of Zululand, a librarian and an information studies faculty member.

o Facilitated creation of photo exhibition of AGSL materials by archivist of the Republic of Georgia parliament for an exhibit sponsored by the US Embassy in the Republic of Georgia.

o Hosted, with SOIS, twenty Information Science graduate students from the University of Pretoria, supported in part by funding from the Carnegie Corporation. The students hailed from Ethiopia, Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, and Zimbabwe.

o Worked to support preservation of some 30,000 endangered negatives from the Kwasniewski photo collection.

o Continued efforts to increase diversity in the library profession through recruiting efforts in the Milwaukee community by developing an Institute of Museums and Libraries grant submission with SOIS, Marquette, MPL, MATC and others.

o Merged the Reserve Library with the Media Library in the lower level west and created a new service counter and a media viewing room.

o Hired a new Digital Collections Coordinator and are in the process of recruiting two other positions: Assistant Director of User and Research Services and Curator of AGS Library.

o Continued efforts to create Open Access opportunities on campus. Have hired scholarly communications librarian, who will focus on expanding the campus agenda on open access, working with faculty and staff on submissions into the institutional repository and e-publishing platform.

o Sponsored several events and lectures each month, including Holzheimer “Maps and America” Lecture (est. 1991) and the Morris Fromkin Memorial Lecture (the oldest continuous lecture series on campus).

o Offered fellowships to four outside scholars to conduct research at the American Geographical Society Library.
- Received $259,000 Andrew Mellon Foundation grant, through the Council on Library and Information Resources, to organize and process the American Geographical Society (AGS) Archives, which were transferred from New York City to Milwaukee this year.
- Using indirect cost funds, added JSTOR VI.
- For the second year, provided, in partnership with SOIS, digitizing internship to four Taiwanese graduate students from the National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU), and benefitted from their expertise in translating Chinese materials.
- Were invited to participate as a World Digital Library partner, along with the Library of Congress and UNESCO, to make select unique holdings accessible to researchers globally.
- With Graduate School, will launch online submission of theses and dissertations.
- Approved a new policy and process to allocate funds to support author fees publication in open access journals: http://www4.uwm.edu/libraries/uoap/
- Co-chaired Research Working Group of Digital Futures taskforce.
- Received Ed Tech funding for 2011-12 requests including replacement of laptops for student checkout, access to JSTOR, and underwriting of Resource Discovery.