



October 19, 2020

Julie Nicoletta, Chair
Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services

Dear Professor Nicoletta:

The Faculty Council on University Libraries is charged with responsibility “for all matters of policy relating to libraries such as, but not limited to, collection development; services to students, faculty, and others; the system of libraries, including branch libraries; space needs; and budgetary requirements” (Faculty Code, Sec 42-4). Activities historically performed include receiving regular updates on library news and logistics from appropriate administrators, with members reporting substantive updates back to constituents, as well as providing faculty and student feedback to the Vice Provost for Digital Initiatives and Dean of Universities Libraries on specific topics of interest, offering guidance and prioritization of concerns where warranted.

Our recommendation is that the council identify specific goals that can be accomplished by the end of the 2020-21 academic year.

The Senate office did a background review to help identify goals for your council. This included review of minutes from last year’s meetings, review of discussions at Faculty Senate meetings, and selected outreach for topics. Recommended goals and / or topics for discussion include:

- Subscription review process
- Issues on student access and affordability to learning materials
- Remote learning and open access education resources
- Sustainable Collections
- Support and monitor UW Libraries facilities projects and changes in coordination with the Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services
- Support and monitor work of UW Press
- Three campuses/One library with the Faculty Council on Tri-campus Policy

After your first council meeting, we will be available to discuss the goals your council identified. Thereafter, we will post your council’s goals on the Faculty Senate website to communicate the important work you are doing.

Many thanks to you and the members of your council, on behalf of Senate Leadership and the faculty of the University, for all your time and work this coming year. I wish you all the best and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robin Argente'.

Robin Angotti
Faculty Senate Chair