

University of Washington
Faculty Council on University Libraries
March 11th, 2015
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Suzzallo 5th Floor Conference Room East

Meeting Synopsis:

- 1) Call to Order
 - 2) Approval of the Agenda
 - 3) Approval of the Minutes from February 11th, 2015
 - 4) Update from Vice Provost
 - 5) Briefing from Chair on the efforts of the FCR
 - 6) Good of the Order
 - 7) Adjourn
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1) Call to Order

Lattemann called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

2) Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved as written.

3) Approval of the Minutes from February 11th, 2015

The minutes from February 11th, 2015 were approved as amended.

4) Update from Vice Provost

Budget hearing with Provost Cauce

Betsy Wilson (Dean of University Libraries, Vice Provost for Digital Initiatives) reported she had held a budget hearing with Provost Ana Mari Cauce on February 18th. Provost Cauce noted there is uncertainty over budgets, as the state budget had not been finalized. However, the Provost did ask for identification of items that may require time-sensitive funding. Provost Cauce stated a major serial review did not need to take place, when asked. Wilson noted some review of serials will take place for good measure in checking ongoing library subscriptions. Wilson noted the Provost indicated she would find the money necessary for cost increases, which may be temporary money. Nonetheless, this is good news for the library, it was noted.

Wilson noted there was another topic of discussion stemming around unavoidable cost increases correlating with the rise of minimum wage, as the UW Libraries are the largest student employer on

campus, and the University recently decided to implement minimum wage increases parallel with federal increases. There was commitment from the Provost that the cost would be covered centrally.

There were two additional funding requests. One surrounding staffing in the area of the undergraduate experience, and the other is a package for digital initiatives concerning research data and support for the research data repository. Wilson reported there is no indication these two items will be funded, but the possibility remains.

There was an additional funding question concerning a transition in Libraries' workforce, and hiring new employees in lieu of expected staff retirees over the next two years. It was noted that central "bridge" funding will be provided to account for the costs of new hires, for a short term.

Greater Western Libraries Alliance (GWLA)

Wilson reported she attended a meeting of the Greater Western Libraries Alliance (GWLA). The organization is a consortium of 35 university research libraries located in the central and western United States, which conducts joint-purchases of databases, runs various initiatives, and generally helps to support changes in scholarly communication.

Wilson noted there was a program on "open education resources", which included speaker David Ernst, who was one of the first to begin the promulgation of open textbooks nationwide. Wilson reported that she learned a great deal about open education resources and initiatives taking place throughout the country. Wilson expressed interest in inviting David Ernst to the UW to speak with the council.

Wilson noted there was a recent release from The White House over open educational resources, and she is interested in continued talks over open education resources at the University of Washington, with an eye for better equipping faculty with the means and knowledge to utilize open resources in their classrooms.

Open access journal: Elementa

Wilson explained the open access journal Elementa was launched as a joint effort by Jody Deming, a UW professor of Biological Oceanography (one of the editors-in-chief), and University of Michigan, Georgia Tech, Dartmouth, and University of Colorado. Wilson reported the journal has been running for roughly one year, and was initially aided in their funding by the GWLA. It was noted that the Editor-in-Chief at the University of Washington would make a great guest to the council to present information on the journal.

Words on morning FCR/FCUL joint meeting

Wilson noted she found it interesting and beneficial that members in the morning discussion of the Faculty Council on Research's open access resolution gained valuable insight into how some departments are, and some are not, publishing through open access.

5) Briefing from Chair on the joint meeting of the FCR/FCUL

Lattemann reported that the morning FCR/FCUL meeting yielded two changes to the newly-drafted open access resolution:

1. There was an item added which would appoint a lead figure to oversee the resolution's processes and impacts.
2. Item 3 of the resolution was changed to no longer include any reference to Executive Order 36 (EO36).

*Lattemann noted that the resolution had been pre-approved by the FCUL.

Lattemann reported that Tim Jewell (Scholarly Communications Librarian) was present at the morning FCR meeting, and he detailed the components of the "off the shelf" repository software "Symplectic Elements." There was question over who would own a new university repository, and it was generally agreed that the UW Board of Regents would likely be the default owner. Lattemann reported that Kate O'Neill (Faculty Senate Chair) spoke about a need for the university faculty at large to endorse open access in a university-wide policy. It was noted that Mary Lidstrom (Vice Provost for Research) brought up the possibility of lawsuits aimed at the university or faculty over open access publications. West noted there is a history of lawsuits aimed at faculty when universities adopt open access policies, and though he supported the notion, he expressed the need for preparation in case of legal backlash. Additionally, West noted faculty won both of the cases in Texas and Washington - against a major academic publisher.

Lattemann noted there was talk in the meeting about setting up a consortium within the AAU for stronger collaborative open access resources, and allow the organization to take up leadership in the initiative. Wilson noted one of the faculty councils should look into this.

Lattemann noted the FCUL has approved the resolution, and the revised resolution will go to the SEC in their April 6th meeting for a vote to go through to the Faculty Senate. If it is passed, it will go to the Faculty Senate in the May meeting. Lattemann noted she feels the resolution will make it through the Faculty Senate this academic year.

Sims noted the ASUW senate submitted a resolution supporting this resolution, and wondered if the resolution was still necessary. Sims noted she would contact chair of FCR Michael Rosenfeld over this matter.

It was noted that IPMAC (Intellectual Property Management Advisory Committee) will be holding open listening sessions in the spring for various intellectual property associated topics, giving the university at large a chance to provide input on current issues and ideas for the future of the university's intellectual property policies.

6) Good of the Order

Lattemann noted that she would like Tim Jewell to be a guest in a future FCUL meeting, to speak some more on future plans for the existing UW repository, *ResearchWorks*. Jewell, Lattemann noted, could

also give insight and a demonstration of the Symplectic Elements repository software, which was discussed as a new repository option in the morning FCR meeting.

It was suggested that John Danneker, Director of Odegaard Undergraduate Research Library (OUGL), be present at the next council meeting to give an update on the library's spaces and programs.

An additional item suggested for discussion in a future FCUL meeting surrounds the streaming of media, and the streaming media reserves owned by the UW. The media reserves offer a limited selection, and faculty are limited in the resources they can assign in their courses because of this. Dr. Gillis-Bridges noted that costs on expanding licensing to acquire more media items to stream should be discussed. She noted there could be a common repository that could be used to store content. It was noted entire films are hard to get for streaming, because of affordability, and short clips are much more commonplace. She noted curriculum decisions are made with these media limitations in mind. Sims (a student member of the council) noted that students do not have the option to re-watch a documentary or class-assigned media piece if it is only shown once, which is standard practice, and makes it difficult for students to reference back to the material for their assignments.

7) Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Lattemann at 3:13 p.m.

Minutes by Joey Burgess, jmbg@uw.edu, council support analyst

Present: **Faculty:** Kimberlee Gillis-Bridges, Dianne Lattemann (chair), Randall Leveque, Julie Nicoletta
President's Designee: Betsy Wilson
Ex-Officio Representatives: Ellen Barker, Susanne Redalje, Beth Kerr, Katherine Sims
Guests: Cynthia Fugate

Absent: **Faculty:** Lauro Flores, Trent Hill, Clay Mountcastle, Jevin West
Ex-Officio Representatives: Juliya Ziskina