

University Of Washington  
Faculty Council on University Libraries  
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., February 13, 2013  
Suzzallo, Fifth Floor Conference Room East

**Meeting Synopsis:**

1. Call to Order and Approval of the agenda
2. Approval of minutes from January 8th 2013
3. Comparator Trends In ARL Libraries (30 minutes; Steve Hiller, Director of Libraries Assessment and Planning)
4. Update on Digital Preservation Network (10 minutes, Betsy)
5. Follow-up on Faculty Fund for Library Excellence and JSTOR Arts & Sciences X collection (10 minutes, Joyce)
6. Luce Award Recipient Gennie Gebhart (2 minutes, Betsy)
7. Additional items (Status of Librarians Update; other items)
8. Adjourn

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**1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda**

The meeting was called to order at 2:37 p.m. by Chair Joyce Cooper, and the agenda was approved.

**2. Approval of minutes from January 16, 2013**

Minutes from the January 16<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved as written.

**3. Comparator Trends In ARL Libraries (30 minutes; Steve Hiller, Director of Libraries Assessment and Planning)**

Hiller's presentation covered data representing the 115 ARL academic members in the United States and Canada including

- Total library expenditures
- Collections expenditures
- Salary and wage expenditures
- Staff size
- Librarian salaries

Hiller noted that UW Libraries budget reductions were among largest over the study period, reaching a low in 2010-11 and showing some improvement in 2011-12. It is anticipated that expenditures for 2012-13 will increase 5% - 8%. Librarian salaries and rankings were low before the recession and continued to be low in comparison to ARL members.

#### **4. Update on Digital Preservation Network (10 minutes, Betsy)**

Betsy Wilson, Dean of University Libraries, reported that the meeting of the American Association of Universities last summer included a call to come together in an agreement of long-term preservation of the scholarly record, and the Digital Preservation Network (DPN) was established as a result. She showed a video from the DPN website (<http://www.dpn.org>). There are over 50 institutions (listed on the website) that have committed to financial support of the project.

Five DPN nodes have been suggested and the architecture for the repository system will be reviewed and approved by the member institutions. Over the next 6 months “onramps” from institutions will be developed that will allow member institutions to deposit digital works and data in one of the five nodes. At the same time, work will be done to identify communities with research data that might be early adopters of DPN and which are not already making use of existing data repositories. Over the next year, work will continue on DPN infrastructure agreements and onramps. After that the focus will turn to governance. A board of directors will be appointed and a business model established.

Wilson will continue to update FCUL on the DPN, and is encouraged about the progress so far and prospects for the future.

#### **5. Follow-up on Faculty Fund for Library Excellence and JSTOR Arts & Sciences X collection (10 minutes, Joyce)**

Chair Cooper reported that in 2011 the FCUL sent a resolution to the Faculty Senate supporting the establishment of the Faculty Fund for Library Excellence (FFLE) – to which current and emeritus faculty were encouraged to support collections in face of on-going budget cuts to the library. The resolution was approved by a unanimous vote of the Faculty Senate. The fund now has about \$4500 representing a relative few but very generous donors.

During the related discussion, it was noted that the FCUL has a continuing interest in an initial purchase with an impact across a variety of disciplines. Current options include funding the purchase of JSTOR Arts & Sciences X which will have a minimum of 125 titles available by the end of 2013 and covers Business and the Social Sciences; Sociology; Education; Public Policy and Administration; as well as the History of Science, Technology, and Medicine. Although the current \$4500 would not cover the JSTOR purchase, Dean Wilson has funds available to make up the difference. Cooper said she would like to move forward with the purchase of JSTOR Arts & Sciences X, and the FCUL readily approved.

#### **6. Luce Award Recipient Gennie Gebhart (2 minutes, Betsy)**

Dean Wilson announced that Gennie Gebhart, the ASUW ex officio member appointed to FCUL, was just selected as one of fifteen Henry Luce Scholars. After Gebhart graduates, this will support her for a year in Asia, focusing on information justice and international library development.

## 7. Additional items (Status of Librarians Update; other items)

On the Status of Librarians as Faculty, Dean Wilson stated that she did not have much to report but is in discussions with Provost Cauce.

Also, it was noted that Dean Wilson was nominated for the Hugh Atkinson Award (for leadership in networking, resource sharing and library automation). Wilson reported that she had worked with Atkinson and that he had had a huge impact on her thinking and her career. The award will be presented in June.

## 8. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50.

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*Minutes by Susan Folk, Faculty Council Support, [slfolk@u.washington.edu](mailto:slfolk@u.washington.edu)*

**Present:**           **Faculty:** Cooper (Chair), Nicoletta, LeVeque, Hillis Bridges  
                          **President's Designee:** Wilson  
                          **Ex Officio:** Redalje, Kirkendall  
                          **Guests:** Steve Hiller, Cynthia Fugate

**Absent:**           **Faculty:** Latteman, Hill, Barker  
                          **Ex Officio:** Gebhart