

Library Advisory Committee Meeting - March 28, 2019

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Attending: Sa In Chin, Erik Davis, Angi Faiks, Terri Fishel, Felix Friedt, Katy Gabrio, Jenn Haas, Linda Sturtz, Ted Wilder, Leah Witus, Jacki Betsworth (minutes)

Absent: Rachel Weaver, Robin Brooks

Agenda

1. Approve [minutes from Fall meeting](#) - members approved the minutes without changes.
2. [Sustainable Collection Proposal](#) - discussion and vote to approve - Katy
 - Print copies of the proposal were distributed to all present. Terri provided some current context for the conversation, including UCal's recent move away from Elsevier, prompted by a proposed 80% increase in service costs. Others are potentially following suit.
 - Library staff want to be transparent with the community regarding our commitment to Open Access. This document is one of our efforts to share that commitment with our community. We are one of a large group of libraries moving in this direction.

Katy offered a brief summary of document content:

 - i. Increasing subscription costs
 - ii. Flat budget increases worldwide
 - iii. Options for dealing with these to create a sustainable model.
 - Discussion with advisory members with suggestions for editing the document. Explanation included how we set aside part of the library budget to support OA. Next steps will be to revise the document based on faculty suggestions. already attempting to highlight databases in all disciplines that have open access content, to reduce fees for students. Advisory members approved sharing the proposal by end of semester with the suggested changes. The suggestion was also made to provide more education related to open access.
3. Library Space Planning Update
 - Terri provided historical context for the project thus far:
 - i. Provost mentioned our new plans for library space at the faculty meeting.
 - ii. Jenn has had opportunity to work with David Wheaton and others to begin visioning.
 - iii. Last week, decision was made to put the plans on a slower trajectory. Discussion with faculty/staff/students. A task force will bring the project to various community groups. Members include: John Kim, Mphatso Simbao, Jenn Haas, Terri Fishel, Rebecca Celis (HGA), Nathan Lief, David Wheaton.

- iv. The goal is to go slowly and listen carefully. We are not changing the size of the collection, but there are opportunities to look at how it is laid out. Possible visioning: DLA, faculty technology projects, student tech projects, many others. "What would a library in 2030 look like?"
- v. OVERVIEW timeline shared by Terri
 - 1. Late May - Library and ITS staff will meet with architects.
 - 2. Meet with student emps in summer
 - 3. Survey, supported by Institutional Research, in fall for community
 - 4. Open houses for talking / feedback
- 4. Library Goals for 2019 - <https://www.macalester.edu/library/goals-2019/> - Terri shared the library's new web page that offers a summary of library goals and plans for the coming year.
- 5. Other? None.

Adjourned 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacki Betsworth