



SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Thursday 18 November 2021
2:31-3:17 pm
via Zoom

Attendees

Senators

F. Andrew
G. Averill
L. Burr (*Vice-Chair*)
S. Kandola
M. MacPhee
S. Mehta
A. Scott

Ex Officio

S. Parker
P. Ratner

Guest

C. Lawson

Regrets

J. Bulkan
C. Godwin
T. Jiang
E. Kwakkel
S. Matsui (*Chair*)
R. Topping
L. Wang

Senate Staff

B. Menard

Call to Order

The meeting of the Senate Library Committee (the “Committee”) was called to order at 2:31 pm on 18 November 2021 by Lawrence Burr, Vice-Chair.

Agenda

THAT THE Senate Library Committee adopts the 18 November 2021 agenda as presented.

Carried by general consent.

Minutes

THAT THE Senate Library Committee approves the 21 October 2021 meeting minutes as presented.

**Moved: L. Burr
Seconded: A. Scott
Carried.**

Business Arising

None.

University Librarian Update

As presented by Susan Parker.

The UBC Library 2021/21 Senate Report, as presented to UBC Vancouver’s Senate last night, is available to view at
<https://about.library.ubc.ca/news/publications/senate-report-2020-2021>.

The UBC Library received over 8,000 photos and records, including rosters and training schedules, from UBC Athletics. These will now be managed in the UBC Archives which will allow greater accessibility and preservation.

An open source publishing program in support of student and faculty publications, called Open Journal Systems, has recently been launched in the library. The Scholarly Communications and Copyright Services Librarian can be contacted to arrange outreach.

The UBC's Provost has helped to secure funding in the President's Academic Excellence Initiative. Some of this funding is being used to fund two new positions – an Indigenous Metadata Reference Librarian and a Knowledge Systems Librarian.

UBC's Records Management Steering Committee has discussed a revised records classification and retention project. There will be a solicitation for comments going out to the university community in March 2022.

Discussion:

In response to S. Parker's presentation to UBC Vancouver's Senate last night, discussion ensued regarding access to digital materials and a "return to normal." It was noted that trends point to sustained or increased use in digital materials, particularly streaming media, but that the UBC Library may also realize a small decrease year-over-year as the pandemic continues. It was also noted that the UBC Library is continuing its commitment to stewarding its investment in its print collection.

Development and Fundraising Activities and Plans

As presented by Charlotte Lawson.

The UBC Library hosts a major gifts program, which focuses on gifts of \$25K and above. Over the last year, the UBC Library has received over \$7M in donations. Library fundraising goals are set in consultation with the University Librarian and senior leadership from UBC's central development team.

The library receives many gifts-in-kind in the form of books, collections and various ephemera. The library's development team works closely with librarians to assess which of these donations are needed.

Fundraising for the library is focusing on naming opportunities, finding donors who want to help expand the library's collections, endow positions and support the new undergraduate library research prize which is still to be approved by UBC Vancouver's Senate Awards Committee. A focus for the upcoming university fundraising campaign will be a "conservation centre" which will involve a reorganization of existing capacity of physical and digital materials.

Unlike faculties at UBC, the library does not have an alumni base. Most often, donations come from these alumni of UBC faculties as well as from foundations. Some individuals and businesses have a dedicated “prospect manager” who is assigned to them. These prospect managers work with the UBC library development team on joint proposals.

Discussion:

Discussion ensued regarding various prospective and current revenue streams and fundraising initiatives involving the library.

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| Other Business | Welcome new committee member Shaktiraj Kandola, Student Senator, Faculty of Education. |
| Next Meeting | The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Thursday 16 December 2021 from 2:30-4:00 pm. |
| Adjournment | The meeting adjourned at 3:17pm. |