SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 27, 2022 2:31-3:20 pm via Zoom

Attendees

Senators J. Bulkan, L. Burr (Vice-Chair), V. Li, M. MacPhee

Ex Officio B. Gopaluni, S. Parker

Regrets F. Andrew, V. Chitnev, C. Godwin, T. Jiang, E. Kwakkel, S. Matsui (Chair), B. Nguyen, A. Scott, R. Topping

Senate Staff B. Menard

Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

The meeting of the Senate Library Committee (the “Committee”) was called to order at 2:31 pm on 27 October 2022 by L. Burr, Vice-Chair.

Agenda

Motion: THAT THE Senate Library Committee adopts the 27 October 2022 agenda, as presented.

Moved: L. Burr
Seconded: M. MacPhee
Carried.

Meeting Minutes

Motion: THAT THE Senate Library Committee approves the 15 September 2022 meeting minutes, as presented.

Moved: J. Bulkan
Seconded: M. MacPhee
Carried.

Business Arising

The Vice-Chair noted the status of repairs for the Library’s ASRS as arising from the minutes. S. Parker confirmed that the ASRS has been serviced and now appears to be working properly.

Discussions

University Librarian Update

As presented by S. Parker:

At the end of September, the annual Harry Hawthorn Foundation luncheon took place. The Foundation has endowed funds to support the acquisition of books about fishing, with an emphasis on fly fishing.
The Xwi7xwa Library has been closed for almost nine months due to renovations and construction taking place in the nearby First Nations House of Learning. It was confirmed that the Xwi7xwa Library reopened during the week of October 11.

Marissa and Antonio Peña donated funds to endow a room in IKBLC. The room is now dedicated and known as the Antonio and Marissa Peña Learning and Events Room. It will be the home to events, as well as the EDI Scholars in Residence.

It was also noted that two librarians recently joined the Quarter Century Club, and this month three additional staff members joined the Club, with one marking 50 years of service.

Discussion:
Discussion ensued about EDI Scholars in Residence. It was noted that the Scholars are not based on-campus, and only come to campus on occasion.

UBC Library Annual Report to Senate

As presented by S. Parker:

It was noted that the UBC Library Annual Report to Senate (the “Report”) is posted on the UBC Library website: https://about.library.ubc.ca/news/publications/senate-report-2021-2022/.

Special thanks were noted to the Provost and Vice-President Academic pro tem, the Chair, Vice-Chair and Members of the Committee, and the Library’s faculty, staff and students.

Section 1 of the Report, entitled Advance Research, Learning and Scholarship, includes nine topics:

1) Building web archives to document pandemic response in British Columbia;
2) Making valuable housing data available to UBC researchers;
3) Remote reference and virtual teaching;
4) Helping researchers build scholarly profiles;
5) UBC Library Open Publishing Program;
6) Curating open educational resources for UBC instructors;
7) Expanding geospatial search through Geodisy integration;
8) Supporting data visualization; and
9) UBC Library joins Dryad membership.

Section 2 of the Report, entitled Engage with Communities, includes seven topics:

1) Generations Lost: Healing the Legacy of Residential Schools;
2) I Know We’ll Meet Again: Correspondence and the Forced Dispersal of Japanese Canadians;
3) Providing digitization support to unique collections;
4) Celebrate Student Research: Games in Asia;
5) Surfacing data about marginalized and underrepresented populations;
6) Library #ClimateAction Team film screenings; and
7) UBC Library supports Forest(Rea)ds series and Vancouver Black Library book drive.

Section 3 of the Report, entitled Create and Deliver Responsive Collections, includes six topics:
1) William Shakespeare's Comedies Histories and Tragedies;
2) The Phil Lind Klondike Gold Rush Collection;
3) UBC Department of Athletics & Recreation fonds;
4) Afghan Serials Collection and Afghan Central Press digital archive;
5) Adding to UBC's Queer Collection; and
6) The Province newspaper digital archives.

Section 4 of the Report, entitled Inspire with Innovative Spaces and Services, includes six topics:
1) New DIY Media Lab;
2) Transforming user access to library resources with OpenAthens;
3) New online support portal;
4) Open Collections Delivery Service enhancement;
5) Partnering with UBC Campus Security on theft prevention; and
6) Nass Reading Room reopens.

Section 5 of the Report, entitled Steward the Organization, includes four topics:
1) Dr. Susan E. Parker elected vice-president/president-elect of ARL;
2) Irving K. Barber Learning Centre Librarian awarded VAHMS Recognition Award;
3) Centre for Writing and Scholarly Communication launches writing podcast; and
4) X̱wi7x̱wa Librarian chosen as one of ALA’s Emerging Leaders.

Updates were also provided about “Looking Ahead” for the Library.

Discussion:
Discussion ensued about successes and opportunities of the Library. Committee members shared thanks with S. Parker for her leadership and for the work of the Library’s staff.

Other Business       None.

Next Meeting         Thursday, November 24, 2022 2:30-4:00 pm

Adjournment          The meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm.