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SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 16, 2023 2:30-3:25 pm via Zoom

Attendees

Senators F. Andrew, J. Bulkan, V. Chitnev, V. Li, S. Matsui (Chair), A. Scott, L. Shpeller

Ex Officio S. Parker

Regrets L. Burr (Vice-Chair), C. Godwin, B. Gopaluni, E. Kwakkel, M. MacPhee, A. Mitchell, R.

Ng, B. Nguyen, R. Topping

Senate Staff B. Menard

Call to Order and

Acknowledgement

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The meeting of the Senate Library Committee (the "Committee") was called to

order at 2:30 pm on 16 March 2023 by S. Matsui, Chair.

Agenda Motion: That the Senate Library Committee adopts the 16 March 2023 agenda,

as presented.

Carried by general consent.

Meeting Minutes Motion: That the Senate Library Committee approves the 16 February 2023

meeting minutes, as presented.

Carried by general consent.

Business Arising None.

Discussions

University Librarian Update As presented by S. Parker:

The annual Basil Stuart-Stubbs Prize for Outstanding Book on British Columbia

was awarded to Robert Amos.

The Library has released its latest edition of Colour our Collections colouring books: https://about.library.ubc.ca/colour-our-collections. The books can be

downloaded from the UBC Library's website.

Heather Berringer has been appointed as Associate Provost for Academic Operations and Services for UBC Okanagan. Until a permanent Chief Librarian

for UBC Okanagan is hired, Robert Janke will be covering the position in the interim.

S. Parker and Vice-President, Students Ainsley Carry attended the installation of Santa Ono as President of the University of Michigan as representatives of UBC. While there, S. Parker was able to meet with the interim Dean of Libraries for the University of Michigan.

The Library, along with UBC IT and the Vice-President, Research and Innovation are co-sponsors of the Research Data Management Strategy. A new webpage has been created that talks about the strategy and what people can expect: https://rdm.ubc.ca/about/ubc-rdm-strategy.

UBC Library users can now access NAACP papers. The Law Library has purchased permanent access to select content with funding that has been provided by the President's Academic Excellence Initiative.

Discussion:

The chair asked about the difference between the UBC Library and the University of Michigan Library. In response, S. Parker noted budget and funding as a major difference.

J. Bulkan asked for information about UBC Okanagan Library. In response, S. Parker noted that access to the library catalogue and materials is the same for students at both campuses. She also noted that the UBC Okanagan Library contains a writing centre. Discussion ensued about services provided by the Library.

Triennial Review

As presented by B. Menard:

- B. Menard provided an overview of the Triennial Review as a whole and as specific to the Committee. He contrasted the difference between the UBC Okanagan and Vancouver Senates regarding governance of the Library for both campuses. He highlighted the advisory and advocacy role of the Committee in accomplishing the Terms of Reference for the Committee.
- B. Menard noted that training and onboarding has been highlighted as a need by almost all committees. He suggested that the first meeting of the year be held in-person and be dedicated to onboarding and orientation of the Committee. The Committee recommended that librarians, facilities and ongoing priorities be highlighted. The Committee also recommended that new members, who join after the start of the Senate cycle, have an orientation with the chair, University Librarian and Senate Secretariat where a slide deck and other training materials are provided.
- B. Menard suggested that the Dean of the Faculty of Arts be added as an Ex Officio member of the Committee. The Committee supported this recommendation.
- F. Andrew noted the role and attendance of Student Senators both in the Committee and on the full Senate. He suggested that the terms for Student

Senators be extended and that their numbers more closely align with the number of faculty senators.

L. Shpeller noted the difficulty that some Student Senators have with attending committee meetings due to conflicts with their studies.

Action Item:

B. Menard will compile Triennial Review responses and share with the Senate Nominating Committee.

Other Business None.

Next Meeting Thursday, April 20, 2023 from 2:30-4:00 pm

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 3:35 pm.