

Library Council Members,

Mark Sunderman and I have agreed to cancel the Library Council meeting on March 3. I do not have any specific action or request for the March meeting and realize that you are busy with the semester. I do have some updates for Council and thought email would be more efficient in letting you know of some of our work within the Libraries.

Serials Review 2004

We are underway and making good progress. Based upon Council's feedback, we have stepped up our publicity regarding the review. Bill and I presented the review timeline before the Deans, we sent out announcements to Deans and Directors, Faculty listserv, staff listserv, Council members, and subject bibliographers. I also was interviewed by the Branding Iron. We developed a website with all of the information to assist everyone in the process. I think the website is excellent and provides more information than we have provided in the past. Subject bibliographers have been encouraged to meet with departmental liaisons and departments - we have been successful in some meetings and others we are still working on. Overall, I think we have done an excellent job in getting the word out and providing tools to assist in the process.

New allocation method?

We are working on a position paper and putting forth some models. This is still under development and we will not have anything specific for our March meeting. We are also looking at Moving Forward and seeing how the libraries' material budget fits into the academic plan.

Institutional Digital Repositories

Our grant request to hold a seminar targeted at university administrators within the Colorado and Wyoming states has been submitted. We are hoping this will be funded and will be an education opportunity for universities to support development efforts for digital research and information projects. Also, with AHC and IT, we are planning a digital summit for the campus in the hopes of raising awareness of digital initiatives and to provide a platform for future publishing and access to information.

Book Orders

We are processing book requests for the year and hope to receive the majority of orders by the close of the fiscal year. Cataloging is working diligently on cataloging new books which we have received so far.

Fundraising

We are revising our case statement for the Distinction Campaign which includes an endowment for faculty research. Once approved by the Foundation, we will provide copies for Council members.

Should any issues arise during March, Mark and I will reschedule our meeting. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 7th. Please let Mark or me know if you have any questions.

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