

Minutes of the Library Council Meeting
February 9th, 2015
W.R. Coe Library

Present: Melissa Hunter, Andrea Burrows, Larry Schmidt, Anne Marie Lane, Birgit Burke, Maggie Farrell, Alex Krysl, Lori Philips, Sandy Barstow, Deb Person, Judith Pasek, Joanna Poblete, David Macaulay, Shaun Wulff, Bob Sprague

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. Bob Sprague welcomed the council, introduced himself, then invited everyone to introduce themselves and identify their affiliations. He noted that the date for the next meetings has changed to April 6th, Coe Library 506.

AGENDA ITEMS

Broken Pipe update: (Maggie Farrell, Dean of Libraries) Maggie gave a report on the most recent episode of broken pipes in Coe Library. We had three frozen pipes in Coe that broke. Twelve buildings across campus had water events so we aren't unique. We had pipe breaks at the same places we have had breaks previously, including one area that we were experiencing issues with and had reported directly before winter break. The breaks occurred in systems that are alarmed so we were able to respond quickly and recovery was able to begin immediately. We were fortunate that Belfor, a disaster recovery business, had a team on campus at the time of our second break and were able to help out immediately. We will not re-carpet until spring break or summer in order not to inconvenience students. We are done with the books in the first phase of recovery which is assessing over 400 damaged books and will be working soon on our second phase of approximately 700 books. Our thanks go out to the custodians, the fire department, and to Physical Plant for their help.

The Trustee's report contains information on the campus wide Cold Weather Event, beginning on page 20 and located at this link: http://www.uwyo.edu/trustees/files/docs/2015-board-meeting-materials/2015_february_9_conference_call_meeting-report-final_with_addedum.pdf

Maggie gave an additional update on Library Collections funding from the most recent tuition increase and the collaborative study spaces, and that we are doing final revisions on the Libraries' UP4 plan and hope to have it ready for the Council to view in April.

Author Event update: (Maggie Farrell, Dean of Libraries) Our next author event will be on April 22 with Andrew Solomon, noted activist, philanthropist, and award winning author of books on the subject of politics, culture and psychology. He will give a public talk in the afternoon at the College of Education auditorium, and a private fundraiser event in the evening. We hope to build in an opportunity for him to engage with students as well.

Journal Review: (Sandy Barstow, Head of Collection Development) Sandy gave an update on the journal review process. The Collection Development Office will be accepting suggestions for new subscriptions during the month of February, through Feb. 27th. Please provide a complete title (no abbreviations, please), an ISSN number, and any other information you may have. A priority ranking (1-3, with 1 being critical) would also be helpful. We are also looking at adding databases or other subscription services you might find valuable. In addition, if we are subscribing to items no longer relevant, please let us know. She also asked for any advice on how to improve the response rate from faculty. In 2011, we added almost 20 journals and in the last review only received responses from 17 faculty. Comments from the Library Council support that almost everyone uses electronic databases to access articles, including their propensity to locate, download, and print articles because they still like having the paper to write on. Sandy also gave an update on the new faculty stipends. Of 65 new

faculty in 2013, 10 put in requests that totaled \$3600. In 2014, UW added 77 new faculty of which 3 have contacted CDO and spent a total of \$2200. Sandy said she hoped to grow the response rate for this initiative. In response to a question about the department liaison model, Sandy replied that when our funding model changed, some departments did not continue with departmental liaisons. CDO keeps lists of most requested journals to add to their wish list as well as tracking most requested items through ILL and Prospector/Request It. Maggie reiterated that the take away is to tell your departments and colleges that if there is something they want, please let us know. We have started our negotiations for renewal of our Elsevier package and that we have been able to acquire it at a substantial savings in the past and hope to do the same again.

Liaisons Roles: (Lori Phillips, Associate Dean of Libraries) Lori presented on the libraries' internal liaison program. The liaison librarians are the public face of the library, and meet with faculty and departments. Two new librarians will be starting soon, one to be our Humanities liaison and the other our Social Science liaison. The liaison librarians are frequently scholars in the area to which they are assigned and know the professional expectations of the academic areas. In the past the librarians helped choose the books for each department but this function is now located in the Collection Development Office. Liaison librarians are now your problem solvers for your areas. Lori introduced Larry Schmidt and Judith Pasek as liaison librarians who were attending the Library Council meeting. We are working to build the skillsets in the liaison librarians and provide "one-stop shopping" for faculty who need to find information in the library. We like to hear your feedback, both good news and problems you may be having.

Escience Project: (Lori Phillips, Associate Dean of Libraries and Larry Schmidt, Head of Geology Library) The University's strategic planning process has consistently identified research excellence as a key priority of the institution. Support for the management of research data is an important component of achieving excellence. Currently our focus is on Escience but we would like to extend our program to the humanities as well. NSF, NIH, DOE, and most of the other grant funding institutions already require some kind of data management/curation as part of any kind of grant. Larry and Lori answered questions about proprietary data, access to data, and the appropriate types of storage and programs to access data.

Stem Initiatives: (Larry Schmidt, Head of Geology Library) Larry presented on the STEM Support Services and Spaces planning document. While it focuses on STEM disciplines, it will also help out humanities disciplines. He also presented on Makerspaces as that ties into STEM Support Services. The Libraries are committed to the STEM and Science initiatives and are considering how best to support these areas through our liaison programs, services, and spaces.

Other Topics: Kudos to Larry on our Science and STEM initiatives in thinking how we engage with and provide spaces and materials for our patrons.

Bob Sprague, Library Chair, adjourned the meeting at 4:38. Our next meeting will be April 6th, 2015, Coe Library, Room 506.