

Minutes of the Library Council Meeting
April 6th, 2015
W.R. Coe Library

Present: Bob Sprague, Chair, Cindy Moore, Shaun Wulff, Deb Person, David Macaulay, Joanne Poblete, Robert Aylward, Melissa Hunter, Alex Krysl, Andrea Burrows, and Maggie Farrell. Guests: Steve Boss, Kelly Visnak, Chad Hutchens, Lori Phillips, Larry Schmidt, Sandy Barstow,

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. Bob Sprague welcomed the council, and noted that this is the final meeting for this academic year. Bob moved selection of the new chair for FY16 to the top of the agenda. Andrea Burrows was nominated and accepted.

AGENDA ITEMS

Water Damaged Books update: (Maggie Farrell, Dean of Libraries) We had about 680 books that were damaged. Six are being replaced with photocopies, 30 bought new, 400 dried and returned to the stacks, and 240 are at the bindery being re-bound. We evaluated 1000 books. Repairs on the building are on-going, hopefully to be completed this summer. We have large sections of carpet that need replaced which involves a major shift of books and shelving.

Author Event update: (Maggie Farrell, Dean of Libraries) Our author event will be on April 22 with Andrew Solomon, noted activist, philanthropist, and award winning author of books on the subject of depression, suicide, identity, and psychology. His free talk, “Far From the Tree: Parents, Children and the Search for Identity,” will be held April 22, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in the College of Education Auditorium (Doors open at 1:00 PM). The UW Libraries fundraising dinner will take place at 6:00 p.m. His latest work, *Far From the Tree: Parents, Children & the Search for Identity*, received the 2012 National Book Critics Circle Award for nonfiction. With narrative grace and unparalleled empathy, it explores the lives of families that accommodate children with physical, mental, and social disabilities and how these challenges can broaden one’s capacity for love. Andrew spent ten years researching the book, interviewing more than 300 families and generating more than 40,000 pages of notes. Maggie described some of the informal, student centered events and asked if the Library Council had any students that they would like to recommend to attend. Andrew will be speaking on topics including the loneliness of suicide, which given recent suicides on campus and Mick McMurry, is sadly timely. There are places still available for students and several donors are buying tickets for students.

Digital Initiatives: (Chad Hutchens, Head, Digital Collections; Stephen Boss, Head, Library IT/systems; Kelly Visnak, Scholarly Communications Librarian; Larry Schmidt, Head, Brinkerhoff Geology Library) (report attached) Chad introduced his co-presenters and the areas of their specialties. He demonstrated the Digital UW site and talked about how, just like with Maggie’s example of the water damaged books, digital resources requires care and maintenance to keep the site accessible. He showed an example of the UW Ag Bulletin collection, showing how the text can be accessed and searched. He then showed one of the born digital videos that they’ve curated, with closed captioning and a searchable transcript. He’d like to begin working with WyoCast to begin capturing lectures and conferences on campus. UW is currently working with ProQuest on video curation. Our collection is stored at UW, at the State, at Islandora and in the cloud.

Kelly Visnak presented for Research and Scholarly Communications Services, introduced her work and her libguides page to explain what the scholarly communication repository is and how to use it. She showed examples of work in the scholars' repository, both undergraduate research day work and faculty research. She is actively engaged with the liaison librarians to systematically connect with faculty in all areas of campus. She also presented on the open educational resources collection that provides free educational curriculum. Another example was a site on literary criticism – The Holographic Chronicle Archive. Publications and Conferences are another area that she covered, the born digital and the digitized content, as well as two sites that are in progress. The Library is working with other entities on campus to preserve and present work they are unable to manage on their own.

Larry Schmidt then presented on relational databases and science. The original Rocky Mountain Herbarium project came out of an un-backed up Excel database that held all the information for the Herbarium. The library works with Botany and IT to mount this database. Larry showed all the different bells and whistles on the database which is quite rich with functions. The Geology Museum database called "Specify" is in progress. He also walked the council through the Digital Herbarium. These databases are hard to build and hard to maintain but make research collections easier to access.

Steve Boss used the example of Paul Flesher's archeological dig in Huqoq, Israel to describe the process of linking the researcher, the libraries and IT to provide the research to the research team and ultimately, to publish. UWIT works on small data (elegant) projects. Steve described the specific steps involved in creating the relationship database supporting the Huqoq project.

Larry then talked about data management and gave examples of data management plan requirements as a part of grant funding. He went on to explain Digital Object Identifiers (DOI's) and problems with publishing data. Steve talked about the current and future state of electronic storage on the UW campus. UW is currently in good shape and the price for storage of data is comparable to commercial storage. He discussed the types of storage needed and different providers for storage. Chad talked briefly about discovery. From the libraries' main page, there are a couple ways to find Digital UW and WYSR, through various tabs. Our collections are also fully searchable through Google. Maggie pointed out that although we have shown you lots of platforms that you can access and use, and despite all the platforms being different, they are easily discoverable.

The handout with all the links to explain this are attached to these minutes. If you have questions, please contact Kelly, Chad, Larry or Steve.

LC FY2015 Report: (Bob Sprague, Library Council chair) Bob showed us a draft of the Library Council report to Faculty Senate and asked for any suggestions of corrections.

Other Topics: None.

Bob Sprague, Library Chair, adjourned the meeting at 4:38. Our next meeting will be announced at the beginning of the fall 2015 semester.

Digital Collections at UW Libraries

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Digitized Collections from print resources held at UW Libraries

1. [Ag Bulletins](#)
2. [Field Notebooks](#)
3. [Jackson Hole Research Station \(1954-1976\)](#)

Born Digital Objects (capturing campus publications, etc.)

1. [Robert Dorn](#)
(linking to Herbaria records)
2. [WYNDD](#)
(paper up to 1998-full-text available for systematic access/analysis)
3. [Video content](#) (working with UWTV and ProQuest, transcribed, indexed, close captioned)

Research & Scholarly Communication Services

1. Instructional Workshops - [LibGuide](#)
2. Scholarship collections in WySR (see: <http://repository.uwyo.edu>)
 - a. Student Research - [UGRD](#) & Plan B Papers SMTC (in progress)
 - b. Faculty Publications (Dept. by Dept.)
 - i. CEAS – [Atmospheric Sciences](#)
 - ii. SelectedWorks - (http://repository.uwyo.edu/sw_gallery.html)
 - c. Open Educational Resources
 - i. [Yellowstone Youth Conservation Corp](#)
 - ii. [A Holographic Chronicle Archive](#)
3. Publications & Conferences
 - a. [NPS Reports \(new\)](#)
 - b. [Electronic Journal of Linear Algebra](#)
 - c. [Wyoming Law Review](#) (in progress)
 - d. [Consumer Issues Conference](#) (in progress)

Relational Databases and other custom solutions

1. Research and collections support (IT & Libraries)
 - a. [RM Herbarium](#)
 - b. Geology Museum (in progress)
 - c. [Digital Herbarium](#)
 - d. Paul Flescher, Huqoq Excavation (research in progress)

Data management

1. Government Mandates and the data dilemma
 - a. Data Management Plan requirements (NEH, NSF, NIH, DoE, etc.)
<https://dmptool.org/guidance>
 - b. DOI's for research datasets (background info: <http://ezid.cdlib.org/home/understanding>)

- c. [ORCID](#) – People (personal id's) and alternatives (ResearcherID, Academia.edu, Google Citation, etc.)

2. Storage and further mandates

- a. Local – ARCC, UW-IT & the UW Libraries are working together;
- b. Local – Currently there is storage – the current storage is “state of the art”, cost and storage amounts are favorable compared to commercial storage. UW overall is in fairly good shape with storage, however;
- c. Local – Future State - ARCC is seeking a storage grant (Regional PetaLibrary Grant) that would significantly lower the existing cost of storage. Currently storage costs are passed onto the party needing the storage and the storage costs are not insignificant. While there would still be costs for storage users; ARCC hopes to significantly lower the cost of storage for research data so it is more attractive and attainable to researchers. The UW Libraries will continue to and currently are collaborating with ARCC on this and other research data/data exposure endeavors;
- d. Local – Future State – ARCC and UWIT Infrastructure are working on a series of tiered storage that would accommodate differing needs. These tiers include:
 - i. Storage for rapidly-changing data – Discovery Phase – Most expensive;
 - ii. Storage for less rapidly-changing data or data such as finished digital objects requiring less aggressive backup – Less Expensive
 - iii. Archival Storage – Dark Archive or Semi-Dark Archive – Storage for finished projects needing preservation and access – perhaps not immediate access – Least Expensive
- e. Third Party Providers (Usually Discipline-Specific) – DRYAD, Globus, GenBank, ICPSR, etc.
- f. Commercial Cloud Storage i.e. Microsoft, RackSpace etc.
- g. Publishers