

University Libraries Committee Minutes

Library West – Room 429

January 22, 2020

9:35am-11:30am

Members Present: Richard Hill, Jane O’Connell, Mario Poceski, Melody Royster, Perry Collins, Eric Potsdam, Czerne Reid, Mark Ritenour, Christine Voigt, Judith Russell

Also Present: Lela Johnson (taking the minutes)

Members Absent: Angelos Barmpoutis, Valentina Contesse, Raminder Kaur, Lily Pang

Meeting commenced at 9:35am

UFOAP Monthly Update

- Discussion: Perry updated that the Provost awarded \$100,000 to the UFOAP Fund in November to avoid a gap in funding at the end of the year. We ultimately spent about \$139,000 in 2019 and are beginning this year with \$86,900. In January so far, I have approved 10 applications, with 1 on hold pending documentation. I have approved \$15,000 in funds, leaving \$71,900 for 2020. This additional funding that was provided should sustain the fund until May/June 2020. Going forward, Judy hopes to work with the Graduate School and other deans to work on keeping the fund with their financial support. Judy will be speaking at the Informal Dean lunch/meeting on February 4, 2020 and asked the group what should she put into her summary, does the ULC support moving forward with trying to continue the fund or should we have it close after we have spent all the funding in the Summer? Czerne suggested perhaps we conduct a brief survey for the graduate students to complete prior to Judy’s meeting. Perry thought this could be done without the IRB.
- Conclusion: ULC supports the fund being continued. They have suggested that Judy reach out to other deans about their interest as well as the Graduate School again regarding their interest in the fund to start the discussion on how to continue the funding once the current funds have been exhausted.

UF Open Access (Author Rights) Policy Discussion

- Discussion: Perry, Czerne and Judy have meet twice to discuss the former proposal for a UF OA Policy and how we can refine it. Points brought up during the discussions were 1. What choices are we making? 2. What are our goals in having a policy? & 3. How do we develop a policy that is sustainable? This will be a discussion that will need revisiting at the next few meetings. It was also discussed that perhaps we should change the UF Open Access Policy name to UF Authors Rights. Perry is working on a brief bulleted document on OA Policies that she will share at our February meeting.

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- Conclusion: It was decided that we would discuss this further at our next meeting. Czerne suggested that we use a portion of our next meeting to work on the policy as a group, rather than have a separate meeting to work on the verbiage.

Dean's Report

- Political Division in America Discussion with Author Jon Meacham & Former Senator Bill Nelson in the Grand Reading Room of Smathers Libraries on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 9:30am-11:00am – ULC members have already been invited. This event will be streaming in Smathers Room 100 as well as on the [Library Website](#). Mario noted that having events like this was a great idea and he supports them. Judy went on to update that John Mills would be having his students attend as part of his class.
- 20 Years of Museum Studies at UF joint event. More information [click here](#).
- UF Libraries Cuba Initiatives are paused due to new regulations
- Judy shared with ULC that she was forwarded an email from President Fuchs from a visiting professor to UF that has been using Library West during the night hours and commended him for the 24 hour access of the libraries.
- Judy will present information about the UFOAP Fund at the informal deans' lunch in early February.

Additional Topics

- SCORS Update: Czerne reported that SCORS is going to be using the proper name: Research and Scholarship Council in the future and doing away with the "SCORS" acronym.
- Perry updated that she will be speaking about Predatory Publishing at the next January Faculty Senate Meeting ([minutes can be found here](#)) or ([watch meeting here](#))
- Czerne updated that she has reported to the Committee on Committee's about what ULC has been discussing and received positive feedback.

Wrap-up/Topics for February 19, 2020 meeting

- Reschedule meeting to be held in Library West 250
- Use Zoom instead of conference call
- Agenda items for next meeting
 - UF Authors Rights Discussion/Review

Meeting adjourned at 10:53am