

University Libraries Committee
Minutes
November 21, 2011

Members Present: Mario Poceski, Dan Reboussin, Judy Russell, Christine Ross (for Isabel Silver), Leda Kobziar, Stacy Galloway, Scott Tomar, Sophia Acord

Also Present: Erika Aenlle (taking minutes), Scott Nygren (Guest Speaker)

Members Absent: David Anusontarangkul, Guenther Hochhaus, Swait Kapoor, Mary Thigpen, Sontosh R. Epuri, Matt White, Krissy Wilson, Terry Harpold

I Minutes Approval - Mario

October minutes were approved. Jennifer Wondracek resigned her position with the ULC. Lela to find out if she has a replacement.

II [Berlin 9 Conference](#) (Guest Speaker Scott Nygren)

Group discussed the Berlin Conference and the Berlin Declaration. The Berlin 9 Conference was at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute. One of the reasons the conference was held in the US this year was to stimulate more interest in America. The turnout for the meeting was good.

1. What was learned?
 - Lots of diversity about how people respond to the declaration
 - Introduction to Open Access for a lot of people
 - Open Access is flourishing in the Sciences
 - More access for distant, underdeveloped countries, electronic, handicap readers
2. About the declaration:
 - Soft intermediate step to having an OA Policy across campus.
 - UF would be the signatory, though the Provost doesn't think this is a step that we'd like to take without a request/endorsement from faculty
 - Tackles legal issues
3. Questions Needing to be answered:
 - What are we ready to present to faculty?
 - How to present this to Humanities?
 - How do we identify the weaker links that don't have resources to support OA?

4. What can the ULC do?
 - Draft policy has been written
 - Gathering the names of UF Faculty that are on editorial boards of OA journals
 - Christine did a quick Google search and found about 55 UF Faculty who are already aware & actively involved in OA
 - A request was sent out to various deans at UF to ask faculty to report what they are doing with OA, IFAS & Dentistry has already responded
 - Present a plan of action for the steering committee, should get more feedback before putting to a vote.
 - Do we want to go with the Berlin declaration or do we want to write up our own policy? This is something we'll need to discuss further
5. There are many other declarations out there besides the Berlin 9 (Budapest/Bethesda). There are three of them, and there are more similarities than difference. If there are concerns about languages, then it may be worthwhile to review the other two declarations. Mario asked which one was more widely used, and Christine answered that Berlin due to the recent meetings and such. Scott will be able to help us move this through the Faculty Senate.
6. ULC would like to present this as an information item at the next faculty senate meeting, Scott Nygren says that we should do it in January or February, and he'll get back to the ULC when he knows what is on the agenda for January. Perhaps have two votes, one for the support of the Berlin declaration and whether to charge the committee with writing either our own OA policy or using the Berlin declaration.

II Additional Agenda Items?

Institutional Repository Renaming Project-Top answers were sent to Library Faculty and we are gathering their thoughts on that. The most popular name was UF-AIR (University of Florida Academic Institutional Repository). Further discussion is needed at our next meeting in Spring 2012.

IV Wrap-up/Looking Ahead to Spring 2012

- IR Renaming Project