Senate Council on Research and Scholarship
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1:00pm

Members present: Florin Curta, Chris Hass, Gillian Lord, Valrie Minson
Others: Stephanie Gray, Irene Cooke
Guests: Michael Mahoney, Hannah Norton, Plato Smith, Melissa Johnson, Judy Russell

1. Hannah
   - Representing data management – presented document of guidelines/best practices towards data management and sharing; they think UF should have a proactive approach.
   - Chris asked about the logistics of it – will everyone be using the same service, etc. It seems unlikely given how diverse/spread out UF is, but the document provides some guidelines.
   - Irene – two issues to address: raising awareness of need for this, so the data and procedures are clean from the beginning. Researchers need to understand this is coming. The second issue is resources needed – centralized location, etc.
   - Hanna noted the importance of having appropriate metadata so that others can understand your data. The more you can do that on the front end the better.
   - Is there a risk of folks no longer doing their own research – just getting big data and using that? How to 'buffer' PIs from 'nuisance' requests.

2. Plato
   - Report from Data Management and Curation Task Force
   - Introduce ORCID (open researcher and contributor ID),
   - Launched within last few months? It's currently in MyUFL under self service > manage my profile >. In addition to ORCID there are NSF, NIH etc. identifiers there as well.
   - ORCID "provides a persistent digital identifier that distinguishes you from every other researcher and, through integration in key research workflows such as manuscript and grant submission, supports automated linkages between you and your professional activities ensuring that your work is recognized."
   - Library would like publishers to require ORCID ids but publishers have been reluctant
   - Could this tie in with Academic Analytics?

3. Judy and Melissa
   - RE question of to whom the libraries should report (infrastructure or research committee). Libraries have properties, but issues are most closely related to research.
   - PPT: Costs for major stem ejournal packages.
     - Materials costs go up, funding is same or less. Prevents growth in journals, databases, etc.

- o Big journal packages (Elsevier, wiley blackwell, springer and nature) have gone from $3.9M to projected expenditures of $5M. Extra funding will begin to close the gap. If new budget system allows research $ to increase as research increases, Norton would be able to help continue to close it.
    - o Provost has indicated that he would like some confirmation from faculty that they agree this is a reasonable approach to increase library funding for materials over time.
    - o This is tied to open access – UF wants a policy but when it comes down to it there has been resistance.
    - o UF has no library fee – but no opportunity to add fees now.
    - o How to frame this to the faculty? Need to state that Provost's office as well as sponsored programs need to contribute.
    "Research & Scholarship Council (SCoRS) believes that libraries are crucially important to the research mission of the university. All avenues - in addition to sponsored programs- should be explored to fund the libraries."
- • PPT: UF Open Access Publishing Fund
    - o Open access fund set up a few years ago with concurrence of deans
    - o Up front money provided by provost and if successful it would be funded; unfortunately pilot was completed during recession so it was not refunded in spite of initial success
    - o Funds for journal articles in open (not predatory) journals; also provide support for hybrid journals (can pay for one article to be open.
    - o University Library Committee recommended that we go back to the original commitment (as has been demonstrated to have been successful); a preeminent university depends on library access.
    - o See Final Report on project [document]
    - o Question for SCoRS: Is this something that is of interest/benefit to the faculty to fund? We are comfortable with that. "Research & Scholarship Council is in support of the University restoring the Open Access Publishing Fund."
- • Research & Scholarship Council (SCoRS) will also recommend to the Committee on Committees that the University Libraries Committee report to SCoRS rather than Infrastructure.

4. Michael
   - • Office of research – re: training concerns
       - o Many different initiatives have been implemented
       - o CHALLENGE: How do researchers know what training they need to take? Cataloged all required courses that could be needed, what triggers those, and then created a web-based form for researchers. Uses conditional logic and maps the particular path for each project.
       - o http://research.ufl.edu/rtu.html

- o Can be saved and completed later but doesn't save from time to time. . Does not integrate with myTraining. Provides list (print, email) and links to Training. Eventually it might automatically register you into those required courses. (Integration issue is external to UF.)
- o Chris suggests that when the results come out, they remind the researcher what federal standards etc. require the funding.
- o Also limiting is the fact that it doesn't know what you've done already, so it can't reduce the list.
- o Challenge now is making sure faculty are aware of it. How to publicize? Research & Scholarship (SCoRs) recommends Michael present at Faculty Senate as an information item.

5. Election of new chair
   - Valrie agreed to serve a second term as chair.

6. PPT: CHORUS: Advancing Public Access to Research
   - Interest in trying to track published articles to UF faculty
   - CHORUS is the publisher's response. Publisher gives library full text for indexing/searching and all metadata so that if someone searches and gets our repository, and if they are from an institution that has a license, it goes through to the real article. If not (no VPN, no license), it'll give pay options, ILL options, etc. but it will also eventually allow them to update your VIVO profile.
   - UF is involved in the pilot; should be a topic for a future meeting.