

Annual Report: Academic Year 2006-07
Davis Division: Academic Senate
Committee on Library

Total Meetings: 2	Meeting frequency: As needed.	Average hours of committee work each quarter: 8 hours per quarter.
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Total of 2 proposals reviewed.	Total of reviewed items deferred from the previous year: Nothing was deferred.	Total items deferred to the coming academic year: Nothing was deferred.
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No new bylaw changes were proposed.

No new committee policies were established or revised.

The Committee emphasized importance of contacting all representatives and ex-officios at the beginning of the academic year for service on the Library Committee per Davis Division Bylaw 83.A. (http://academicsenate.ucdavis.edu/cej/manual/dd_bylaws.htm#VI83).

- Issues considered by the committee (expanded below in the Committee's narrative):
1. UCOL; papers on scholarly communication (at UCOL level)
 2. Library hours and long lines
 3. Library databases
 4. Friends of the Library
 5. Graduate Program in Communication (with Ph.D.)
 6. Masters of Public Health Proposal
 7. Proposed Open Access Policy

No procedural or policy changes were recommended for this year.

Committee's narrative:

This year, the Committee actively participated in the system wide University Committee on Library meeting/discussions. The representative selected from the Davis Division Library Committee for 2007-2008 was Andrew Waldron (member). Marilyn Sharrow commented she would like to continue to remind UCOL that the funding for the library is important for the campus and to keep in mind that electronic journal pricing costs continue to rise and the funding for the library reduced. Also, UCOL continued to discuss the white papers generated from the SCSC (Special Committee on Scholarly Communication). The name of the system-wide "University Committee on Library" has been changed to "University Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication."

The Committee received a query regarding possibly extending the library hours. Students expressed interest through ASUCD extending the library hours to 24 hours daily during finals week. An ASUCD group already met with Associate University Librarian Helen Henry on library hours. ASUCD Representative Steven Lee mentioned his concern about the long lines for printing in the Library and asked if it would be possible to allow printing from student laptops with an automatic charge to a student's account. Marilyn Sharrow commented this is an IET issue but that she knew they were aware of it and could be being discussed at CCFIT meetings.

The Committee reviewed a request that was brought forth by the Academic Senate Chair Linda Bisson regarding difficulty accessing databases through Google Scholar. Marilyn Sharrow and John Tanno indicated the problem was one of publication licensing since the server must recognize the IP address as a UCD address or access is denied. John mentioned that access will be granted through the proxy server. Marilyn Sharrow decided to discuss the issue further with Linda Bisson in order to determine past issues and provide a method to alleviate the problems.

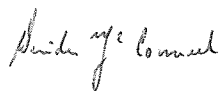
The Committee reviewed a request that was brought forth by the Academic Senate Chair Linda Bisson regarding the status of the "Friends of the Library." Marilyn Sharrow defined the Friends of the Library as a group of people who formed their organization in order to give and raise money for the library. They are no longer an active group primarily because they were unable to find people to take charge as skilled fundraisers. Marilyn stated that anyone can join the Alumni Center and would then have certain privileges, which is an agreement that all university libraries have with one another.

The proposed Graduate Program in Communication (with Ph.D.) was reviewed per the request of the Graduate Council Chair. The University Library stated it is well poised to support a Ph.D. program in Communication, and outlined the current resources and future needs for the program. The Library has been collecting and continues to collect research level materials in the areas of communication that will be featured by the extension of the Communication Department.

A review of the Masters of Public Health Proposal, which requested to expand its professional program for the Master of Public Health degree) was completed per the request of the Graduate Council Chair. The General Library reviewed the information submitted by the Master of Public Health program and stated that the current collections will provide adequate support to meet the core research and teaching needs of the expanded program.

The Proposed Open Access Policy was reviewed, discussion, and commented on by the Library Committee. It was noted that UCOL granted overall positive support for the policy and questioned the best way to gain acceptance by the faculty. The Library Committee members independently commented and provided feedback, and a group response was forwarded with all received viewpoints included. While there did not appear to be any opposition to the idea of "open access" per se, grave concerns were expressed by Committee members regarding the implementation of this policy as proposed.

Respectfully submitted,



Winder McConnell, Chair

Andrew Waldron (member)
Rachel Chen (ex officio, GSM)
Doug Conklin (ex officio, A&ES)
Arturo Gandara (ex officio, Law)
Sashi Kunnath (ex-officio, Engineering)
Marilyn Sharrow (ex-officio, University Librarian)
Eric Smoodin (ex officio, L&S)
Valley Stewart (ex officio, CBS)
Richard Walker (ex officio, Health Sciences)
Patricia Inouye (Academic Federation Representative)
Kenny Huang (GSA Representative)
Steven Lee (ASUCD Representative - fall quarter)
Amanpreet Singh (ASUCD Representative - winter & spring
quarters)
Helen Henry (regular guest)
Amy Kautzman (regular guest)
John Tanno (regular guest – retired)
Gail Yokote (regular guest)