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To: Ellen K. Murphy
Secretary of the University

From: Mordecai Lee, Chair
Archives Committee



Date: May 1, 2002

Re: Annual Report

This 2001-02 annual report of the Archives Committee is also the last one this Committee will be submitting.

The Archives Committee for 2001-02 met on October 17, 2001. The routine business of the meeting included the election of a chair for the year and reports on the activities of the UWM Archives at the Golda Meir Library by Tim Ericson, Archives Director and by Peter Watson-Boone, Director of Libraries.

The bulk of the meeting was devoted to an exploration of the future of the committee. Following extensive discussion, the Committee members voted by unanimous consent to recommend to the Faculty Senate that the Committee be abolished and its functions merged into the Library Committee.

The recommendation in no way was a minimization of the importance of having a faculty entity oversee the university's archives and UWM's archives policy, nor was it intended to diminish the excellent work of the Archives Committee in previous years. Rather, the workload of the Committee had slowly been diminishing over the years to the point that there no longer was an ongoing workload that seemed to require the exclusive attention of a separate faculty committee. Also, during this

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period, the work of the UWM Archives had gradually become more closely associated with, and integrated into, the Golda Meir Library. Therefore, a permanent subcommittee of the Library Committee could handle the responsibilities of the Archives Committee.

The Faculty Senate subsequently approved this recommendation. Therefore, the Archives Committee's disbandment takes effect at the end of the 2001-02 school year.

The members of the Archives Committee who attended the sole meeting of the year were (in alphabetical order):

Mordecai Lee
Genevieve McBride
Ruth Schwertfeger
Winston Van Horne

Ex-Officio members attending the sole meeting of the year were (in alphabetical order):

Jerry Baldwin (representing Paul Rediske)
Tim Ericson, Archives Director
Peter Watson-Boone, Director of Libraries

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