

**University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee
LIBRARIES COMMITTEE
2018-2019 Annual Report**

Members

Hilary Snow	AS	Honors College
Guangwu Xu	FAC	Computer Science
Jesse McLean	FAC	Film
Elizabeth Jastrab	AS	UWM Libraries
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Erin Kaheny	FAC	Political Science
Cheryl Baldwin	FAC	Administrative Leadership
Adrian Dumitrescu	FAC	Elec Engr & Computer Sci
Martha Carlin, Chair	FAC	History
Richard Smiraglia	FAC	School of Information Studies
Michael Doyle	Dir	UWM Libraries
Jason Puskar	Assoc Dean	Graduate School
Amanda Seligman	FAC	History
Susan Wade	Student/G	
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A3.4 Libraries Committee

- (1) Membership. Seventeen members as follows: eight elected faculty members, at least one from each division; two appointed academic staff members; three students, one of whom is a graduate student. The academic staff members are appointed by the Chancellor upon recommendation of the Academic Staff Committee. The Chancellor, the Director of the Libraries, the Graduate Dean, and a representative of the UWM Alumni Association are ex-officio members.

(Document 2169, 12/17/98; UWM Administration approval, 12/30/98)

(Document 2330, 5/14/02, UWM Administration approval, 5/31/02)

(Document 2364, 11/21/02, UWM Administration approval, 11/28/02)

(2) Functions.

- a) Represents the interest and authority of the university faculty in archives and library affairs and in the establishment of policy.
- b) Makes recommendations for faculty action.
- c) Advises the Director of the Libraries concerning administrative operation of the Archives and Libraries.

(Document 1016, 3/17/77; UWM Administration approval, 3/30/77)

(Document 1308, 4/22/82; UWM Administration approval, 4/29/82)

(Document 2319, 12/20/01; UWM Administration approval, 12/28/01)

(Document 2364, 11/21/02; UWM Administration approval, 11/28/02)

(Document 3090, 3/16/17; UWM Administration approval, 3/22/17)

Meetings

During semester I, 2018-2019, the University Libraries Committee (ULC) met three times (9/20, 10/18, 11/15); during semester II, the committee also met three times (2/20, 3/7, 4/24).

Major Accomplishments/Actions

- The committee heard an update from Doylen on the Open Access Publication Fund and additional funding provided by the Provost for 2018-2019, and discussed additional needs for funding, especially among scholars in the humanities and social sciences, among scholars publishing e-books.
- Carlin asked Seligman to seek information about the decision to place the Connected Systems Institute in the Golda Meir Library.
- Carlin reported on follow up discussions with Doylen concerning Archives relocation, the Libraries' budget, and staffing levels.
- Seligman chaired and Carlin served on the search and screen committee for Associate Vice Provost and Director of Libraries. On-campus interviews with the two final candidates were held in May. Michael Doylen accepted the offered position in June.
- Heard plans for the Archives renovation project, including fundraising. The Development Office hired a Project Development Officer to fundraise exclusively for this important project.
- Considered the Libraries' 2019-2020 collections budget, including a spending reduction necessitated by, among other factors, an annual increase in cost of licensed resources and branch library expenses. Susan Foran, Interim Assistant Director of Libraries, Collection & Resource Management, explained the process and timeline for faculty input on deselection.
- Heard Scott Silet, Special Assistant to the Director, offer an overview of the College of General Studies and integration of libraries at the branch campuses with UWM Libraries, including budgetary challenges and efforts to migrate library data.

- Heard Doyle's report on scholarly communications, especially following the University of California System decision to boycott Elsevier.
- Heard report from Jason Puskar that Creative Writing is pursuing options for its graduate students to opt out of the current Graduate Faculty Committee policy requiring them to submit dissertations and theses to ProQuest and UWM Digital Commons.
- At each meeting Associate Vice Provost and Director of Libraries Michael Doyle provided updates on priorities, initiatives, staffing, and the budget, including the below. This past year the UWM Libraries
 - Organized and supported the Look Here! Exhibition at the Villa Terrace Decorative Arts Museum; celebrated the 40th anniversary of AGSL's arrival at UWM and the 30th anniversary of Maps & America: The Arthur Holzheimer Lecture Series; and held a reception for the Wisconsin HIV/AIDS History Project. The Libraries hosted more than 80 programs and events during the year.
 - Hired four positions: Digital Archivist, Electronic and Continuing Resources Librarian, Instructional Design Librarian, and Academic Librarian (Washington County); and opened recruitments for an Acquisitions Librarian and a Music and Performing Arts Librarian.
 - Opened new digital audio studio.
 - Enhanced a Learning Commons classroom to support a flipped classroom concept and give students the ability to present content wirelessly from laptops and other devices in the room.
 - Received a major gift of \$40,000 from Robert McColl for the American Geographical Society Library.
 - Started mediating all new purchases through Kanopy, a streaming video platform, in response to unsustainable cost increases.
 - Directed funding from Friends of the Golda Meir Library, including \$30,000 for online resources and \$5,000 for Libraries professional development.
 - Led efforts by the Council of University of Wisconsin Libraries to seek \$1 million in funding for all UW libraries as part of the Freshwater Wisconsin Initiative.
 - Received nearly \$630,000 in Educational Technology Fee funds.
 - Agreed with the Graduate School to partner on campaign to raise \$320,000 to renovate area of library for use of graduate students.
 - Continued to support international campus initiatives, including hosting visiting students from the National Taiwan Normal University.
 - Completed merger of the Golda Meir Library with the UWM at Waukesha Library and the UWM at Washington County Library.
 - Continued to administer the UWM open access fund, allocating \$20,000 to UWM faculty and staff.
- The committee thanked out-going members Cheryl Baldwin, Adrian Dumitrescu, Amanda Seligman, Richard Smiraglia, and Susan Wade for their service.

Respectfully submitted,
Katrina Kozar