

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee  
University Libraries Committee  
February 5, 2021  
Teams Virtual Meeting

Attendance: Martha Carlin, Cary Costello, Michael Doyle - UL Director, Anne Dressel - ULC Chair, Su-yu Lin, Shama Mirza, Kathryn Olson, Paul Price, Jason Puskar, Lindsay McHenry, Conal McNamara, and Hilary Snow

Excused: Tom Holbrook and Hanyong Park

1. Anne Dressel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2020 meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Chair's Report:

Dressel noted that the Fromkin Research Grant Selection Committee will meet on Tuesday, February 8 to review proposals.

4. Director's Report:

Doyle reported on the Libraries' budget allocation for FY22. The Libraries received a 5.29% reduction on its 101/131 allocation (-\$476,932). Additionally, campus permitted use of \$200,000 in carryforwards to mitigate the impact of any reductions to the collection budget. Doyle noted that the branch library budgets will be part of the Libraries' budget, beginning FY22. He will report additional information at the next meeting.

With the rest of UWM, the Libraries are preparing for a fully operational fall semester on all campuses, prioritizing the safety of students and employees. Plans will take into account expanded access to the Golda Meir Library, expanded hours, masks and social distancing, and a return of most staff to work on-site. The Libraries will begin actively developing reopening proposals in the coming weeks.

Doyle announced recipients of the Janet and Carl Moebius UWM Libraries Outstanding Achievement Awards: Abbi Nye (academic staff), Steve Keltner (university staff), and Jessica L. Rardin (student employee).

Planning for the Archives renovation continues. The next milestone is submission of documents for approval by the Board of Regents. Doyle expects construction to begin in October and last six months.

The Libraries are developing a strategic plan to guide diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives. Doyle charged a work group to develop the plan in June. The work group has

made steady progress. Tiffany Thornton, chair of the work group, will present the plan at ULC's March meeting and welcomes ULC's comments.

AGSL Curator Marcy Bidney interviewed author Simon Winchester during a streaming event organized by Boswell Books on January 19.

On April 8, Tom Patterson, National Park Service Cartographer, will give a presentation about mapping the Grand Canyon National Park. The virtual talk will focus on four recently published maps of the Grand Canyon National Park that owe their design inspiration to renowned mapmakers of the twentieth century.

Doysten reported that the UWM Union is installing a temporary ice skating rink south of the Golda Meir Library.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Katrina Kozar