COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY
David Teitel, MD, Chair

MINUTES
Meeting of March 8, 2007

PRESENT: D. Teitel (Chair), E. Fiebig, N. Hessol, R. Malone, G. Manley, R. Marcucio, G. Rutherford, R. Schneider, F. Szoka

ABSENT: I. Frieden, Lang, K. Shook

PERMANENT
GUEST(S): Karen Butter, University Librarian

GUEST(S): Catherine Candee, California Digital Library

The meeting of the Committee on Library was called to order by Chair Teitel on March 8, 2007 at 10:05 a.m. in Room CL 119. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the February 8, 2007 meeting were approved unanimously.

Chair’s Report
Chair Teitel gave an update on the Coordinating Committee:
1. The Committee heard a presentation from Steven Wiesenthal, Associate Vice Chancellor, Capital Programs/Facilities Management on plans to move towards becoming a Green Campus.
2. The Academic Senate is currently undergoing a review of the Student Grievance Process. Members with concerns to should contact Jean Ann Seago, Chair, Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction.

Task Force on University Engagement with Scholarly Publishing – Catherine Candee, Co-Chair
C. Candee gave an overview of the Task Force and the input the Task Force is seeking.
Charge:
• review the full range of publishing activities and publishing needs that exist throughout UC
• propose a more coordinated approach to scholarly publishing, especially in use of digital technologies
Method
• inventory publishing programs throughout the system
• document innovative faculty projects that cannot be published through traditional channels
• survey faculty about unmet publishing needs
• identify research strengths and priorities (currently the most difficult task)

Guiding Principles
• to remain competitive the university must provide a research infrastructure for its faculty that will ensure productivity and stimulate innovation in all aspects of the research, teaching and learning cycle
• publishing must be conceived more broadly than the production of an archival record; it is an integral part of the research enterprise
• publishing must embrace a suite of production and dissemination activities, some of which will be revenue generating
• publishing must enable faculty to create and distribute works via the most appropriate means.

What Has Been Learned
• much publishing is campus based
• much publishing is informal, digital, hard to find
• there is a surprising amount of formal publishing activity on campuses in ORUs and UCOP departments
• faculty, especially in humanities, make a distinction between in process scholarly communication and formal, archival publication
• there are significant barriers to the use of other formats

Preliminary Findings
• a major problem with a traditional means of formal publication is the expectation of cost recovery, a model that no longer works because:
  o it impedes innovation (difficult to take financial risk)
  o it forces a “Mission drift”
• we need to think more broadly about publishing
• we should align publishing activities more closely with UC research priorities
• publishing should be part of the infrastructure

Implications/Directions
• establish UC publishing as an integral part of research infrastructure
• position UC publishing as an attractive and competitive choice among commercial academic publishers
• develop criteria and systems for publishing research that does not fit traditional book/journal models
• formalize collaboration between UC press and CDLs scholarship Publishing Office

Next steps:
• finish survey of publishing programs
• compile list of innovative faculty-initiated publishing projects
• campus visits to understand scope and needs of campus-based programs more fully

Committee Discussion
In response to C. Candee’s request for committee input on which research entities to investigate, members suggested the CTSI, AIDS research, Global Health, and Stem Cell/Regenerative Sciences

University Librarian’s Report – Karen Butter
Update on Library Space Repurposing
The Committee had last meeting last week. K. Butter is working on a final report to the EVC. The recommendations will be made based on two priorities:
1. Clinical skills/simulation space with associated meeting space.
2. Smart classrooms.

JSTOR Print Archive
K. Butter distributed a handout (Appendix A) outlining JSTOR. JSTOR is a not-for-profit organization with a dual mission to create and maintain a trusted digital archive of important scholarly journals and to provide access to these journals as widely as possible. The Library was asked to indicate which journals we would be willing to contribute to this project. The document further outlines criteria for identifying journals as well as which journals were ultimately chosen. The Committee supported the use of JSTOR.

Library Safety
K. Butter summarized the actions and recommendations for enhancing library security:
1. Assign a security guard during hours the library is open.
2. Install ProWatch access control on the main entry door and primary staff entry door leading to the parking area enabling restricted access during limited hours.
3. Conduct staff training on dealing with difficult people and best practices in dealing with the homeless and other related issues.
4. Explore alternatives and options to reduce hours open to the public and reserve some small number of hours for UCSF affiliates only.
5. Review Library Use Rules and postings for improved enforceability.
6. Continue to deal with individual problem patron issues via trespass/arrest when possible.

Numbers one and two are pending budget approval.

Fishbon Library at Mount Zion
K. Butter distributed a draft report on the Fishbon Library at Mount Zion. Her current goal is to determine how to better collaborate with Mount Zion. After that determination has been made, the library will be in a better position to request funding.
Report from the University-wide Committee on Library – Richard Schneider

R. Schneider reported that system-wide is still very interested in hosting a symposium on open access and copyrights. He urged the Committee to consider hosting the event and taking a lead on this issue.

There being no further business, Chair Teitel adjourned the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

Committee on Library Attendance Record 2006-2007

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