

Executive Committee
Wednesday, March 8, 2006
9:00
Daley Library, University Librarian's Office
Minutes

Present: Case, Armstrong, Fiscella (secretary), Weller, Wiberley, Zhao

Absent with notice: Malinowsky

Guests: Peter Hepburn, John Cullars, John Shuler (Lectures & Forums)

1. The minutes for February 8, 2006 were approved.

2. Old Business

- The Nakata lecture is scheduled for Friday, April 28, 2:00, with John Unsworth as the guest speaker. Unsworth is Chair of the Commission on Cyberinfrastructure for Humanities and Social Sciences (http://www.acls.org/cyberinfrastructure/cyber_report.htm). He is Dean and Professor of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (see <http://www3.isrl.uiuc.edu/~unsworth/>). Case will be in touch with LAS and A&A to secure support for co-sponsorship. EC members are to begin informing our campus contacts.
- Strategic Plan: EC discussed ways of engaging faculty stakeholders to review the Library's strategic plan. Case will write Gerald Strom asking him to convene the Senate's Academic Services committee. In addition EC will review the plan for addressing information needs of faculty in other units. (March 17)
- EC voted unanimously to invite David Spadafora, President of the Newberry Library, to become an adjunct Professor of the UIC Library. He will be invited to make a presentation sometime during the next year.
- 3Y, 5Y paper preparation – How to make preparation easier and more consistent with campus documents Weller suggested that both tenure track and clinical faculty be introduced to the campus promotion and tenure form during the first and 2nd year of their appointments, that the document, Guidelines for the preparation of documentation for faculty review, be revised to streamline the process. Case will send a note to Pifalo to ask P&T to expedite discussion this approach.
- Fiscella will send out a draft of a letter concerning emeritus status.

3. New Business

- Lectures & Forums, follow up (Hepburn, Cullars, Shuler)

The Committee met with EC in December to talk about re-envisioning its role in the Library's faculty development. At that time, it recommended that Lectures & Forums focus on developing unified programming, tying in the Nakata lecture with its government publications focus. It is similar to what other colleges do with their colloquia. One of the implications is that individual faculty could set up other programs or presentations that could be of interest to the library without going through Lectures & Forums. L&F suggested that a meeting with faculty early in the academic year could elicit ideas for the year's theme and areas of interest. L&F will formulate some general guidelines for appropriate topics. It will also outline the kind of support it would need to carry out the committee's work. Questions still remain about the highly attended events such as visits to other libraries that seem not to fit in the scope of what L&F envisions and about budget. One more helpful connection might be the campus Meetings & Conferences office.

The link between Development and the public lectures would continue with a Scholarly Communication presentation (sponsored by the Library administration) and the Nakata lecture.

In summary: the Library would have an umbrella of events:

- Two research forums arising out of Lectures & Forums; these would tie closely to research.
- Nakata Lecture (also organized by L&F), a public event tied to government publication issues.
- Scholarly communication public event, sponsored by Library Administration, with consultation by Executive Committee.

Administration will help with arrangements for L&F events, and Development may help with some things as well. A possible goal is to develop funding for a named lecture series.

4. Preparation for March faculty meeting:

Peter Hepburn on Lectures & Forums recent activities; to get feedback on L&F proposal.

Anne Armstrong will present a proposal from the Teaching Support and Documentation Committee for a library-wide curriculum framework TSDC proposal.

Strategic plan, faculty goals discussion

Pending/Ongoing issues:

- Annual review of University Librarian (spring)
- Research funds allocation as part of FDAC funds?
 - Senate Library Committee (Weller)
- Track Principles Draft.
- Revise “Creating a Climate for Achievement”
- Review of other faculty documents (summer '06?)
 - <http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/about/facexec/faccommorg.shtml>
- Other?

EC Meeting dates scheduled:

- April 12 (Promotion & Tenure – Pifalo, chair)
- May 10; June 14; July 12; Aug 9 (joint meeting?)