

MINUTES

University Library Committee

18 November 2021

10am-11am

Meeting via Zoom

Attendees: Martin Hubbe, Reggie Brown, Jill Sexton, Matt Stallmann, Hilary Davis, Richard Bernhard, Shelley Garrigan, David Goldsmith, Greg Raschke, Mara Blake, Maude Cuchiara, Jane Hoppin, Patrick Deaton, Robert Scheller, Tarida Anantachai, Jennifer Garrett, Cara Smelter, Kevin Potter, Nina Allen, Michael Hyman, Jen Arthur

Call To Order - Dr. Martin Hubbe, *Professor and Buckman Distinguished Scientist, College of Natural Resources, Chair*

Agenda

1. **Opening Remarks** Greg Raschke, *Senior Vice Provost and Director of Libraries* (10 minutes)
 - a. Introduction of new Libraries staff:
 - i. Tarida Anantachai, Director, Inclusion & Talent Management
 1. Joins us from Syracuse University
 2. Recruiting, retaining and developing Libraries staff
 - ii. Mara Blake, Department Head, Data & Visualization Services
 1. Comes from Johns Hopkins University in a data services role
 2. Taking over as lead with Data Sciences Academy
 - b. State budget has passed, governor has signed and is moving relatively quickly
 - i. We expect this will provide stability for the Libraries' budget, raises for staff
 - ii. Libraries will receive portion of enrollment increase funds
 - iii. If Chancellor allocates funds radically differently than expected, Greg and Martin will be in touch with updates
 - c. Students definitely getting tired of masks as community gets more vaccinated
 - i. Expect mandates to continue through flu season, and maybe through spring break
2. **Libraries Collections Budget Update**, Hilary Davis, *Department Head, Collections & Research Strategy* David Goldsmith, *Associate Director for Collections & Research Services* (25 minutes)
 - a. Link to presentation: <https://go.ncsu.edu/collections-update-fall2021>
 - b. Overview of Libraries collections expenditures

- i. State appropriated collections budget for this fiscal year is \$11.6M, representing 41% of Libraries base budget. This is supplemented by \$214,319 in endowment funding and \$335K in F&A allocations
 - ii. Our collections budget has remained stable since the last time the state passed a budget in FY 18/19
 - iii. We will not see any cuts to the collections budget this year, and are still benefiting from moderate inflation savings this year (many publishers offered 0% inflation last year due to the pandemic.)
 - iv. COVID-19 support continuing
 - 1. Increased spending for streaming media (mostly films)
 - 2. Increased purchasing of e-books and online textbooks
- c. We are about \$3.3M below the average expenditure levels of our peers, placing NC State firmly in the lower half of our peer group. [Comparison of Collection Expenditures to Peer Institutions Average](#)
- d. Per faculty member expenditures are still in the bottom half of our peer group, but closer to the median. [Peer Institutions Collections Expenditures Per Faculty Member](#)
- e. We continue to add collections to support emerging and expanding programs
- f. Our current agreements with Elsevier, Springer, and Wiley expire in December 2021 and required journal package renegotiations and renewals
- g. Wiley
 - i. Current deal provides access to ~1500 titles at an annual cost of 1,111,051
 - ii. Our new deal with Wiley is effective from 2022-2024
 - 1. We retain access to the ~1,500 journal titles
 - 2. Have negotiated favorable inflation rates for term of deal
 - 3. Wiley will provide about 700 vouchers for OA (Open Access) Fees
 - 4. Total cost over three years: \$3,511,074
- h. Current Open Access agreements - Annual Reviews, IWA publishing, Microbiology Society, SCOAP3, PLOS Biology.
 - i. Adding next year - Cambridge University Press, Wiley
 - ii. More information available: [Open Access Support for NC State Authors](#)
- i. Springer
 - i. UNC Chapel Hill is leaving the existing deal due to budget cuts, which nullifies the existing TRLN deal.
 - ii. In our current deal we have access to 1150 shared titles. 2021 cost: \$736,221.
 - iii. Our new deal is via NERL (Northeast Research Libraries Consortium)
 - 1. We will have access to 2200 titles
 - 2. Total cost over three years: \$2,625,320
- j. Elsevier
 - i. Current deal is through the Carolina Consortium (2019 - 21)
 - 1. ~2300 titles (20% owned, rest leased)
 - 2. 2021 spend - \$2,691,273
 - ii. Elsevier Renewal Option A (2022-2024)

1. ~2300 titles (20% owned, the rest leased)
2. Total cost over 3 years \$8,153,999
- iii. Renewal Option B (2022 - 2024)
 1. ~2300 titles, all leased - no post termination access
 2. Total cost over 3 years: \$7,283,183
 3. Net savings over three years for option B: \$870,816
- iv. The Libraries recommends moving ahead with Option B, which will save significant costs over three years.
- k. Questions
 - i. Kevin Potter - Are there significant long-term disadvantages or concerns due to losing post-termination access?
 1. We would have to find alternative methods to give access to those particular titles in the event of (interlibrary loan, etc...). In order to get the best deal we gave up post termination access. We are confident we will have the ability to buy back post termination access when our budget permits.
 1. Greg Raschke asked for a motion to approve the proposed collections budget. Jane Hoppin moved to approve, and the budget was approved and forwarded to Provost's office

3. **Library Services Open Discussion and Feedback**, Greg Raschke (20 minutes)

- a. As we begin to emerge from the pandemic, Greg Raschke requested committee members share feedback on the Libraries' service portfolio
 - i. Jane Hoppin shared recommendations to extend access to electronic textbooks and the long-term tech lending programs. She also shared a recommendation to enhance usability of the Citation Index to include the ability to search and display based on subject.

Notes recorded by: Reggie Brown

Next meeting: Thursday February 17, 2022, 11am-12pm