Minutes
University Library Committee
21 October 2024
11 am - Noon
Zoom link

Attendees: Dr. Sarah Egan Warren (Chair), Donise Benton, Victoria Chi, Jude DesNoyer, Ed Gehringer, Martin Hubbe, Aniruddha Kulkarni, Carolyn Miller, Rebecca Molina, Brennan Selcz, Douglas Walls, Paul Williams

Libraries Staff: Greg Raschke (ex-officio), Jeremy Allen, Carolyn Argentati, Patrick Deaton, Tyler Kroon, Adam Rogers, Cara Smelter

Call To Order - Dr. Sarah Egan Warren, Teaching Assistant Professor, Institute for Advanced Analytics, and DELTA Faculty Fellow, *Chair*

1. **Opening Remarks -** Greg Raschke, Senior Vice Provost and Director of Libraries

   a. Thank you to members for their committee service and introduction to the ULC's charge.
   b. Currently seeing high engagement of the campus community with the Libraries and many users in the buildings.
   c. We are active in many university partnerships and collaborative activities and offerings, including with the Data Science Academy, the Academies, and in teaching, learning, and research.
   d. We will review the Libraries' annual budget and collections budget details at the next meeting.

2. **Hill Library Closure, Summer 2025** - Patrick Deaton, Associate Director for Learning Spaces and Capital Management

   a. On Feb. 8-9, 2025, the Hill Library will be closed for electrical work in connection with the university's Power Forward project.
   b. From May 5, 2025 through sometime in July, the Hill Library will be closed again for necessary upgrades to its electrical infrastructure.
   c. There will be some ability to retrieve materials from the bookstacks during the summer closure.
   d. Communications and logistical planning is underway for these projects, including consideration of the needs of both library staff and building partners, as well as information for library users.

3. **bookBot Lighting Project, Hunt Library, Fall/Winter 2024** - Patrick Deaton

   a. Replacing the bookBot's fluorescent lighting with LED fixtures that will last over 30 years.

    b.   Work will begin on Monday, November 4 and will be completed during December.

    c.   The bookBot will be completely shut down during this time, and any needed materials there can be requested via interlibrary loan.

4. **[The Libraries' work with Generative AI](#)** - Tyler Kroon, Research Librarian for Engineering, and Adam Rogers, Learning Innovation Librarian
This presentation will describe how the Libraries supports the university community in learning about and using AI applications in teaching, learning, and research, and through our workshops and training activities. For background, see the Libraries' <u>AI Research and Instruction Guide</u>.

    a.   Libraries staff are learning about and discussing AI internally and externally.

    b.   Cultivate a culture around AI learning and sharing (excitement and frustration).

    c.   Utilize AI for internal workflows, resources, services, teaching, and presentations.

    d.   [Libraries AI Research and Instruction Guide](#) provides details for faculty and students ("AI for Researchers" and "AI in the Classroom" pages).

    e.   AI instruction (for students, faculty, and staff - - benefits and challenges; excitement and worries)

    f.   Developing an AI workshop (an emerging technology to teach to students)
        i.   "Critical Play with Generative AI" workshop - learning together with hands-on experience and collaboration.
           1.   Midjourney is the generative AI used with ChatGPT as the brainstorming tool.

    g.   Bringing professional and organizational ethics and values and communicating those ethics and values.

    h.   Questions/comments
        i.   Thinking critically about larger societal impacts of AI is important.
        ii.   AI and our university -- how does the Libraries fit into the greater university AI efforts? The Data Science and AI Academy is leading anc coordinating university efforts and policy development, and it is one of the Libraries' closest partners and is housed in the Hill Library; Faculty members in a variety of disciplines are exploring and implementing AI tools with innovation and creativity.

5. **Future agenda topics – suggestions from the committee?**

Next meeting: November 15, 1pm-2pm, in person with lunch at the Hill Library