

Minutes
University Library Committee
November 15, 2024
1:00pm - 2:00pm
Multimedia Seminar Center
2131 East Wing, Hill Library

Attendees: Dr. Sarah Egan Warren (Chair), Victoria Chi, Jude DesNoyer, Martin Hubbe, Aniruddha Kulkarni, Katherine Martin, Carolyn Miller, Paul Williams, J.D. Lee, Brennan Selcz, Alex Hernandez

Libraries Staff: Greg Raschke (ex-officio), Carolyn Argentati, Bertha Chang, David Goldsmith, 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
 - Use and demand is strong in the Libraries, continuing to rise post pandemic
 - Programs and wellness programming have well attended
 - Staff recruitment has been very strong
 - Biggest issue continues to be growing enrollment without the associated funding, with increasing collections costs over the years
 - News from USBI budget process expected from the university in December
 - This has been the best three years ever in fundraising for the Libraries – we have the highest performing Development team by percentage at the university
 - Most popular donor contributions are student scholarships and student success initiatives.
 - The College of Design is interested in renovating the Design Library, which is the only library that has not been renovated in the last decade. (Buildings and facilities belong to that college.)

2. **Collections Budget Update** - David Goldsmith, Associate Director for Collections & Research Services; Bertha Chang, Associate Head, Collections & Research Engagement
 - Collections and Open Access Update
 - General trends reviewed
 - Have not received enrollment increase funding to offset inflation, but one-time funds have helped with this
 - Can't rely on one-time money for subscriptions
 - 99.9% of journal purchases are online; 92% of book purchases online
 - FY 24-25 Budget
 - Base Collections budget: \$11,626,531
 - Endowments: \$488,832
 - F&A allocation: \$400,000
 - Total: \$12,515,363
 - We invest a lot in the people we hire, as people enable the Libraries to provide the cutting-edge programming and offerings of the organization

- Collection expenditures compared to peers: we are falling behind some
- FY 24/25 Allocation of Funds
 - 67% Journals (largest)
 - 18.8% Databases
 - 7.8% Monographs
 - 5.8% Other
- Large journal packages (aka “big deals”)
 - Large journal packages being renewed for 2025: Wiley, Springer, Elsevier
 - Have finalized renewals for all three packages
- Collections inflation
 - We have requested \$422,000 for inflation this year, and \$1.3 million over the next 3 years in total.
- Questions
 - What is driving inflation?
 - Differential pricing
 - Inelastic market and monopoly power
 - Actual source of problem is promotion and tenure in the academy, with preference given for larger numbers of articles.
 - Consideration of student usage of journal collection?
 - We consider usage across the entire university community.
 - We can also measure the extent to which NC State authors publish citations to journals in our subscription packages.
- Support for Open Access (OA) Publishing at the Libraries
 - Allows NC State authors to publish without additional fees
 - Open access agreements list is available via the website
 - From 2020 - 2023, over 580 OA articles were published, for \$1.8 Million in Article Processing Charge (APC) savings
- What you can do to support the Libraries’ OA work?
 - Share information with colleagues and community about OA.
 - Tell publisher and journal editors that this is important.
 - Sign up for ORCID if you haven’t yet
 - publishers and funders use ORCID to track affiliation
 - Choose collaborating authors affiliated with NC State for OA publication
 - Sign up for ORCID ID
 - The Libraries has a CV service to upload your citations
- Trends monitoring
 - OSTP’s memo: “Ensuring Free, Immediate, and Equitable Access to Federally Funded Research”
 - Inflation over next five years
 - Working with consortial partners
 - Investing in open access to enhance NC State’s impact
 - Engineering enrollment expansion
- Collections Budget - unanimous approval by committee

3. Course Ready materials program - David Goldsmith

- Every student will be charged \$280/semester to have access to all course

materials. It is an opt-out program.

- Libraries will help students know their rights and help faculty consider adoption of textbooks--Libraries liaisons will be available to provide support.
- More details on this and the Open Knowledge Center's work, including open pedagogy support and open educational resources, will be provided at a spring ULC meeting.

4. Future agenda topics – suggestions from the committee?

- Continue conversation on Course Ready materials and Open Educational Resources