

University Library Committee

Minutes

January 24, 2001

ULC MEMBERS: Deb Carver, Paul Dassonville, Jennifer Greenough, Dan Pope, Gina Psaki, Michael Raymer, Richard Sundt, Marc Vanscheeuwijck.

GUESTS: Mark Watson, Associate University Librarian for Technical Services.

2000/2001 COLLECTION/ACCESS BUDGET

Deb Carver gave a brief summary of her Jan. 18th memo to the ULC on the Library's collection/access budget for fiscal year 2000/2001. In past years, the library would receive separate legislative increases to the library's materials budget to help cover the inflation costs of books and journals. Since the implementation of the new funding model, there is no longer this separate augment. The library now receives one general budget to cover personnel, supplies and services, and acquisitions.

This year, the library is able to allocate some of its savings from vendor prepayments, toward new electronic resources and monograph purchases. The remainder of those savings (approx. \$337,000) will be carried forward to help delay another serials cancellation in the near future.

Library Administration will be asking the provost for additional funds to cover these ongoing inflationary increases. Deb is aware the UO has budgetary constraints, but hopes something can be done. The library's strategy would be to receive additional university funding for the next 3-5 years, until anticipated changes in scholarly publishing create a more affordable system. She added that it would be very useful if the ULC would consider sending an endorsement of this strategy to the provost. The committee agreed to submit a letter in support of the library's budget proposal. With Deb's assistance, Gina will draft the memo for the ULC's review.

COMMERCIAL PUBLISHING MEMO FOR SENATE

Gina asked for comments on the commercial scholarly publishing memo she has drafted for James Earl, UO Senate President. Several suggestions were provided and Gina will add them to the document and submit it again for the committee's review.

AAA STORAGE

Deb gave an update on the AAA material being stored in Knight Library. All of the Ns will be moved from storage to the open stacks in Knight. Also under consideration is the possibility of moving back issues of bound journals that are also available through J-STOR into storage to free up additional stacks space.

Richard asked what the long-term plans are to address the space concerns in AAA Library. Deb responded that library administration has submitted all library space/building plans to University Planning. In addition to long range building plans, there is discussion of having access to the 4th floor of Lawrence Hall as an addition to the library. We also hope to acquire some compact shelving in the future.

Another storage concern that Richard expressed is to not divide material of the same topic between libraries; e.g. there is currently some archeological material in AAA, with most being housed in Knight.

Deb stated that off-site storage will eventually be necessary.

DEPARTMENTAL REPRESENTATIVE LUNCHEON

Deb invited the ULC to a library-sponsored luncheon on March 2 in the Browsing Room. There will be 2-3 faculty speaking on the topic "Electronic Only - Are You Ready?" She will email everyone with more details.

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- Deb to provide updates on library's initiatives; particularly Rm. 101 renovation.
- Eric to bring concerns or ideas that students may be expressing.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Submitted by Sheila Gray