

California State University, Northridge Faculty Senate Library Committee

Annual Summary Report Academic Year 2014-2015

Report submitted by Charles Hatfield, Chair
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Committee Members: Academic year 2013-2014

Charles Hatfield (Chair), English, elected by Faculty Senate
David Bermudes, Biology, elected by S&M
Annette Besnilian, Family Consumer Sciences, elected by HHD
Karen Carpenter, Cinema and Television Arts, elected by Faculty Senate
Hsin-Hui Chiu, Finance, RE and Insurance, elected by B&E
Rachel Friedman-Narr, Special Education, elected by EDUC
Ellis Godard, Sociology, elected by S&BS
Ellen Jarosz, Library, elected by Oviatt Library
Mario Ontiveros, Art, elected by AMC
Kourosh Sedghisigarchi, Electrical & Computer Engineering, elected by E&CS
Adrian Perez-Boluda, Modern Classical Languages and Literatures, elected by HUM
Vacant (undergraduate student), AS appt.
Vacant (graduate student), AS appt.
Mark Stover, Oviatt Library, Dean & Executive Secretary, Non-Voting
Jim Lunsford, Recording Secretary

Note: The Committee requested student representation from Associated Students, per the bylaws. A single AS representative was assigned after the first meeting of the year (Sept.) and attended a single meeting (Oct.) before resigning from AS. No replacement was sent. It appears that the Committee needs to request student representation proactively from AS at the start of each year, as this does not happen automatically.

Meeting Dates

September 3, 2014

October 1, 2014

November 3, 2014

February 4, 2015

March 4, 2015

April 1, 2015

(All meetings began at 2:00 p.m. in the Oviatt Library Administration Conference Room, OV 373.)

Summary of Activities

The FSLC met throughout the year to carry out its charge, and engaged, as per usual, in deep discussion of Library services, resources, and plans. Its most notable accomplishment this year was working to obtain approval from the Senate Executive Committee for the FSLC's revised internal mission statement. The new statement eventually received unanimous support from the Executive Committee and will now be used on the FSLC website and for recruiting and

welcoming new members, as well as for other internal or promotional purposes. Throughout 2014-15, as in past years, Dean Stover gave general updates and informed the committee about Library events, special exhibitions, gifts, grant awards, and an overview of the Library's budget and strategic plan. Of special note were updates on the popularity of the CQF-funded Creative Media Studio (CMS), and information about the upcoming expansion and renovation of the Oviatt's Special Collections and Archives. Dean Stover also arranged for guest presentations by Library staff and faculty on a range of topics, based on Committee members' interests (see below).

- **September 3, 2014 meeting**

- Dean Stover briefly outlined some ongoing projects and upcoming events.
- The committee worked on a revised draft of the internal mission statement, and it was decided to move the new mission statement forward through the Senate Executive Committee approval process.
- There was a discussion about how the committee had been promoting Open Access.
- Marianne Afifi joined the meeting to talk to the committee about the upcoming Special Collections and Archives renovation project.
- There was a general discussion about the change in philosophy regarding collection analysis, some of the pros and cons associated with the cost and proliferation of digital resources, and some concerns related to CSU-wide collection management.
- The committee discussed and voted on topics of interest for presentations to be scheduled for upcoming meetings.

- **October 1, 2014 meeting:**

- Dean Stover briefly outlined some upcoming Library events.
- Mention was made that Governor Brown recently signed AB 609, a bipartisan bill that made California the first state in the nation to adopt an open access policy for research that is funded with taxpayer dollars.
- An Open Access article authored by David Bermudes for *Biosphere*, the Biology Department's newsletter, was circulated to the committee prior to the meeting for review. Additional Open Access promotional ideas were discussed, including: Prezi, a press release, and Mind TV.
- Andrew Weiss shared a PowerPoint presentation on Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETDs) at CSUN.
- It was decided that the committee chair would forward the agreed-upon revision of the FSLC internal mission statement to SEC liaison Terri Lisagor for inclusion on the next SEC meeting agenda.

- **November 3, 2014 meeting:**

- The Dean's Report included information about an upcoming Women in Engineering and Science (WISE) event, and a Friends of the Library portico book sale.
- There was an update on the status of the FSLC internal mission statement revision and its presentation to the Senate Executive Committee (SEC).
- As part of ongoing discussion of the deselection process, there was a request for a list of titles that have been deselected, specifically regarding English Literature.
- Lynn Lampert gave a presentation on the Creative Media Studio (CMS), and Committee members were encouraged to tour the new space.

- **February 4, 2015 meeting:**
 - Dean Stover discussed and circulated materials related to a couple of upcoming Library events.
 - It was also reported that the large bundled journal package from Wiley will not be renewed for 2015 due to the distributor's unwillingness to negotiate the subscription rate increase.
 - There was an update on the deselection process.
 - It was announced that the Oviatt was awarded the 2015 San Fernando Valley Business Journal Commercial Real Estate Award for the Learning Commons remodeling project.
 - Christina Mayberry and Del Williams made a presentation on the Library's acquisitions budget.
 - There was an update on the status of the FSLC internal mission statement revision and its presentation to the SEC. It was decided that the committee chair would visit the February 26 SEC meeting in person to discuss the proposed revised statement, and then the FSLC would discuss how to proceed further at their next meeting on March 4.
- **March 4, 2015 meeting:**
 - Dean Stover shared information about upcoming Library events.
 - There was an update on the deselected English titles list, and an electronic list of deselected items was distributed to the group for review prior to the meeting.
 - It was announced that there is a search and screen process underway for the Oviatt Library Associate Dean position.
 - There was an update on the status of the FSLC internal mission statement revision and its presentation to the Senate Executive Committee (SEC), and it was reported that the SEC did not approve the draft as presented. An updated revision of the statement, reflecting SEC input, was circulated to the group for consideration.
 - It was suggested that, after approval by SEC, this updated mission statement be placed on the new FSLC webpage as part of a welcome statement.
 - Interim Associate Dean of the Library Lynn Lampert joined the committee to give an overview and assessment of the Learning Commons project approximately one year after completion.
- **April 1, 2015 meeting:**
 - Dean Stover shared information about upcoming Library programming, and updates on current Library staff and faculty searches.
 - There was an update on the timeline for the renovation of Special Collections and Archives.
 - It was decided that on April 23 a slightly revised version of the revised internal mission statement would be presented to the Senate Executive Committee for review, and that the results of that meeting would be shared with the FSLC via email.
 - Andrew Weiss and Mary Wahl gave a presentation on Streaming Video and Copyright Issues.
 - Mario Ontiveros was elected Chair of the Faculty Senate Library Committee for AY 2015-16.

Guest Speakers/Presentations

- At the September meeting, **Marianne Afifi** talked to the committee about the upcoming Special Collections and Archives renovation project. The presentation began with a brief history of Special Collections and Archives (SC&A) in the Oviatt and a summary of the department's current setup. Project goals were shared, including: the creation of a larger climate-controlled space; a consolidated workspace for the SC&A team; a larger public reading room; and the addition of a multifunctional space for meetings and instruction. According to the project's timeline, plans should be finalized by the end of the calendar year and the bulk of construction will take place during the summer of 2015.
- At the October meeting, **Andrew Weiss** shared a PowerPoint presentation on Electronic Theses and Dissertations (ETDs) @ CSUN. There was a general overview of the digitization process to date, including a breakdown of the archive into three collections: new ETDs since the May 2011 mandate (1164); Legacy Open Access ETDs from 1957–2011 (2897); and Legacy Partial Access ETDs from 1957–2011 (96). Also noted was Part I of a Campus Quality Fee (CQF)-funded project, the Thesis Digitization Project (1957-1988). Part II of the CQF project will focus on 500 works involving audio and video digitization conversions, which will be available for streaming. Benefits and challenges were also discussed.
- At the November meeting, **Interim Associate Dean of the Library Lynn Lampert** gave a presentation on the Creative Media Studio (CMS), including background on its concept, design, and creation. Available CMS resources were highlighted, including: examples of software, equipment for checkout, a recording studio, and peer assistance. The CMS mission was outlined. Some future plans were shared, including: a CMS project competition, extended or adjusted hours, and promotion through social media.
- At the February meeting, **Christina Mayberry, Collection Development Coordinator, and Del Williams, Acquisitions Librarian**, shared information about the Library's acquisitions budget. It was noted that: the budget has remained flat since 2001; the Chancellor's office pays for some databases and journal subscriptions; most books and DVDs are paid for through lottery funds; some additional materials are funded through CQF proposals and other sources; and Library Acquisitions continues to work closely with departments and subject specialists.
- At the March meeting, **Interim Associate Dean of the Library Lynn Lampert** gave an overview and assessment of the Learning Commons project approximately one year after completion. The presentation included the goals of the project, a viewing of the Learning Commons presence on the Library website, and some impressive statistical data from the 2014 Library Student Survey.
- At the April meeting, **Andrew Weiss and Mary Wahl** gave a presentation on Streaming Video and Copyright Issues. It was clarified that there is not yet any solid precedent on the subject of copyrights for streaming video, but that the discussion is ongoing. The focus at this time is on best practices. Committee members were encouraged to share freely with faculty and colleagues the information that was distributed.