**LAUC Virtual Assembly Business Meeting  
Thursday, May 6, 2021**

**1:00-2:00pm Pacific Time**

**Roll:**

Attendees: Marty Brennan, UCLA (LAUC President); Rachel Green, UCLA (LAUC President Elect); Heather Smedberg, UCSD (LAUC Past President); Kristen LaBonte, UCSB (LAUC Secretary); Dean Rowan, UCB (LAUC Parliamentarian); Ramona Collins, UCB (Chair); David Michalski, UCD (Chair); Melinda Livas, UCD (Vice-Chair) Madelynn Dickerson, UCI (Chair); Sara Davidson Squibb, UCM (Chair); Olivia Olivares, UCM (Vice-Chair); Peter Fletcher, UCLA (Chair); Dalena Sanderson-Hunter, UCLA (Vice-Chair); Kevin Balster, UCLA (Delegate); Wynn Tranfield, UCLA (Delegate); Carla Arbagey, UCR (Co-Chair); Sandy Enriquez, UCR (Delegate); Laurel McPhee, UCSD (Chair); Stephanie Labou, UCSD (Delegate); Catherine Busselen, UCSB (Chair); Martha McTear, UCSB (Vice-Chair); Yao Chen, UCSB (Delegate); Jess Waggoner, UCSC (Chair); Daniel Story, UCSC (Delegate); Allegra Swift (SLASIAC); Su Chen (DEI Chair); Jenny Reiswig (DEI Vice-Chair); I-Wei Wang (CPG); Marlayna Christensen (Web Manager)

Absent: Min-Lin Fang, UCSF (Chair); Cynthia Johnson (DOC); Cherry Williams (CPG); Courtney Hoffner (Web Manager); Hilary Schiraldi (SLFB); Brian Quigley, UCB (SCLG)

**Draft Minutes**

**1PM, call to order via Zoom**

1. Roll Call / Approval of April 1, 2021 minutes - K. LaBonte
   1. Minutes are approved.
2. Announcements / Administrivia - M. Brennan
   1. The presidential midyear report can be found at: <https://lauc.ucop.edu/sites/default/files/attached-files/presidents_midyear_report_2021.pdf>
3. Standing Committees Midyear Reports
   1. Nominations – H. Smedberg
      1. The committee’s midyear report can be found at: <https://lauc.ucop.edu/sites/default/files/attached-files/lauc_nomination_report_2021.pdf>
      2. On behalf of the nominating committee (H. Smedberg, K. Peck, and K. Folk-Farber), the following slate is presented:
         1. Vice President – Mary-Michelle Moore (UCSB)
         2. Secretary – Jennifer Nelson (UCB)
      3. K. LaBonte will be submitting the slate of nominees to each divisional chair by Monday, May 10.
   2. R&PD – R. Green
      1. The committee’s midyear report can be found at: <https://lauc.ucop.edu/sites/default/files/attached-files/2020-2021_lauc_rpd_midyear_report.pdf>
      2. The general charges remain pretty much the same every year. They include reviewing research grants, presentation grants, and mini-grant applications as the core work.
         1. A suggested action from the President was to create a survey about research funds, but since this year was different due to COVID-19, the committee decided that they wanted to create an informal survey but focus on years before 2020.
      3. An additional charge this year from the President was to modify the criteria for 2020-21 LAUC grants given the changing nature of professional development opportunities in the midst of the COVID crisis. As a result, the committee decided to allow a second call allowing for research grants because there was money left over.
      4. A second charge was to hold at least one statewide R&PD event for all of the campuses, on a topic such as the research process or grant process or both.
      5. A third charge was to update grant forms and a final charge was to revise web pages. The forms have been changed and are still being edited and the web page updates are ongoing as materials are consolidated.
      6. Grant awards for the entire 2020-21 fiscal year include:
         1. The total amount of grant awards for represented (Unit 17) librarians is $37,249. This amount is covered by the $24,300 that is budgeted to LAUC through the Unit 17 Librarian MOU, as well as an additional $12,949 that has been allocated from the LAUC President’s Funds.
            1. There were supplemental LAUC President’s Funds available this year because the assembly was not in person.
   3. DEI – S. Chen
4. The committee’s midyear report is forthcoming and will be posted on the LAUC website.
5. So far this year, the committee has organized lightning presentations on DEI activities and initiatives across UC libraries.  There were 7 presentations: 3 of them from UCLA, 2 from UC Santa Barbara, 1 from UC Davis, and 1 from UC Riverside. Presentation topics ranged from cataloging, public service/outreach to instructions.
   1. **Paromita Biswas**, Continuing Resources Metadata Librarian, and [**Erica Zhang**](mailto:ezhang20@library.ucla.edu), Metadata Librarian for Open Access, UC Los Angeles, “[Authorities in Alma/Primo: Opportunities for Ethical Cataloging?](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1EeEVQH7iazz8Zp2RNyN5-tAXqWYNU-iH5jHVHSuajNs/edit#slide=id.p1)”
   2. [**Sandy Enriquez**](mailto:sandy.enriquez@ucr.edu), Special Collections Public Services, Outreach & Community Engagement Librarian, UC Riverside, “[Reimagining LibGuides for Accountability & Transparency](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ayu_e3Jwnky3Ci4PTOSz4JNrzfDPetke0QcX4YSAEDg/edit?usp=sharing)”
   3. [**Heather Nisen**](mailto:hnisen@ucsb.edu), Research & Engagement Librarian, UC Santa Barbara, “[DEI Success and Challenges at UCSB Library](https://www.canva.com/design/DAEci2DTDFE/D8k5LnFnlNMPq1eGj6ICDA/view?utm_content=DAEci2DTDFE&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=sharebutton)
   4. [**Des Alaniz**](mailto:dalaniz@ucsb.edu), Evolving Workforce Resident Librarian, UC Santa Barbara, “All-Gender Restroom Conversions at UCSB Library”
   5. [**Melinda M. Livas**](mailto:mmlivas@ucdavis.edu), STEM Librarian, UC Davis, “MVMS [Many Voices - Many Stories] - Addressing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion”  ([slides in PDF format](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fJd1Zf3cXQ92hG0C3WV4K91cy10tpoLP/view?usp=sharing))
   6. [**Nora Franco**](mailto:francon@library.ucla.edu), Consumer Health Librarian, UC Los Angeles, “LGBTQIA+ Health”
   7. [**Matthew Johnson**](mailto:mattweirick@library.ucla.edu), English & History Librarian, UC Los Angeles, “[UCLA Library's Anti-Racist Pedagogy Workshop Series](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1H50abj6K4bQ0MsDt5X7N9b7GVevJa8sZ/view?usp=sharing)” (pre-recorded)
6. DEI is planning to organize a webinar focused on the 2019 Diversity Survey finding. This is planned for mid-July. The presentation will be led by Xiaoli Li, former Chair of DEI, and the writing team of the Survey report.
7. Based on the 2019 Diversity Survey, there were several efforts prior, and they are not easy to find, let alone access. Currently, we are working with Marlayna Christensen to re-organize the existing resources, and also to find the earlier reports and make them available in one place.
   1. CPG – I. Wang for C. Williams
      1. The committee’s midyear report can be found at: <https://lauc.ucop.edu/sites/default/files/attached-files/spring_cpg_report_002.pdf>
      2. The inclusion of certain activities in peer review packets was a main charge of the committee this year and the committee is still working on it.
      3. UCM had bylaw changes that the committee approved.
8. LAUC Reports / Updates
   1. Communications Group - M. Christensen
      1. The committee is looking into implementing a systemwide listserv.
      2. The committee has implemented a Slack channel for LAUC use.
         1. Division chairs have more information.
      3. The committee is taking steps to initiate the communications team as a standing committee.
   2. DOC – C. Johnson
      1. April 6, 2021, DOC meeting
         1. Discussed the proposed SILS Structure document with the goal to approve it in time for the April 16 SILS Governance Task Force meeting.
            1. Discussion included DOC’s role in decision making, as well as levels of authority in the proposed structure.
         2. UCSC library update:
            1. Have been using a ‘digital first’ strategy to help guide decision making.
            2. In August 2020, they began a purchase and ship program for faculty and grad students when items were not available as an ebook or on ETAS.  As of March 10th, they have purchased and shipped 113 items for 57 people.
            3. UCSC has been staffing a local chat service since last spring, which is being staffed by public service staff. Days and times are being adjusted based on usage data. Also began doing research consultations via Zoom.
            4. Recently opened student only study space at S&E library. Students reserve seats and have to show a “badge” that indicates they’ve completed mandatory campus covid testing.
      2. April 20, 2021 DOC meeting
         1. Discussed UCL Collaborative Work Tools Charge, which CoUL has reviewed and provided feedback. During this DOC meeting the focus was on providing suggestions and input regarding membership on the team.
         2. Discussed a SILS CDI OA Item/Shared Services proposal. This proposal comes out of CoUL’s request for DOC to investigate shared services opportunities and a question that arose in the SILS’ Public Services Escalation Leads Group (PSELG) regarding Open Access (OA) and the Central Discovery Index (CDI) in Primo VE. Question: Should the UC as a system use CDI to manage OA resources?
         3. UCB library update:
            1. Looking at reopening plans.
            2. Currently offering reservable study spaces with no collections access using libseats. In addition, they have opened a virtual study space “in” Doe library every Tuesday. Have had a good response to this with 20 - 30 students regularly attending.
            3. E-reserves was one of the main services that pivoted after the start of the pandemic. Books are being digitized and submitted to Hathitrust. So far over 1000 books have been submitted. Berkley is hoping to continue ETAS through the summer.
            4. Oskiexpress services are continuing
            5. Berkley card holders and other UC members can request items from NRLF.
         4. DOC Liaison to the Fed Doc Archives Project Report:
            1. Monographs: They are in the final stages with UCI and UCSB. The goal is to have them completed by the end of June 2021.
            2. Serials: DOC and CoUL supported the recommendation to hold off on further serials work until after the SILS transition.

However, UCB has been working remotely to confirm the volumes deposited at an RLF and identify missing volumes/gaps where possible. The resulting spreadsheet will make it easier for campuses to determine which volumes they want to deposit in an RLF.

* + 1. May 4, 2021, DOC meeting
       1. Guest Christopher Martone from UC Riverside provided an overview of the UC Libraries’ Chat Reference service, including statistics for Fall 2020 and Winter 2021.
       2. Continued discussion about the SILS CDI OA Item/Shared Services proposal, including clarification regarding some of the examples of OA repositories in the proposal.
       3. Continued discussion about the UCL Collaborative Work Tools Charge, focusing largely on membership.
       4. Update on CDL.
  1. SLASIAC – A. Swift
     1. Roster <https://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/slasiac/roster>
     2. Agendas: [SLASIAC Meetings: UC Libraries](https://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/slasiac/meetings)
     3. 4/30/21 Meeting Notes, 10am – 4pm
        1. Project Transform, Professor and UL, Jeffrey MackKie Mason (UCB)
           1. Worldwide reactions make this the biggest news of the yar. This is the best agreement made with Elsevier worldwide.
           2. Elsevier’s revenue per article is projected to be $2,900 or less, compared to $4,500-$6,500 in other Elsevier agreements.

Other differentiators:

Includes Cell Press and The Lancet (global first)

No cap/limit on OA publishing

No reading fee

* + - * 1. Some concerns:

Locking in for-profit publishers and cost

Bad for the Global South

Response: Make 1/3 of UC authored articles available for free, 45% OA

Our agreement doesn’t constrain anyone else from publishing

Subscription “small deals” better

Subscription small deals are still subscriptions and do not move the needle to OA or alert the authors to their agency to the process.

* + - 1. Project Transform, Associate Executive Director Ivy Anderson (CDL) <https://osc.universityofcalifornia.edu/uc-publisher-relationships/>
         1. This phase is for the [Springer](https://osc.universityofcalifornia.edu/uc-publisher-relationships/springer-nature-transformative-oa-agreement/) journals only - not Nature titles
         2. Encouraging numbers so far, between 25-30% author participation in hybrid
         3. Enables publishing by ECR, postdocs, and graduate students
         4. Reasons for requesting funding - most do not have research grant funding, grant expired or did not budget in the grant for publishing
         5. Full OA publishers: gathering stats for publications numbers, use of grant funds or reasons for not using funds. So far:

[PLoS](https://osc.universityofcalifornia.edu/uc-publisher-relationships/plos-oa-agreement/) 187 articles published (in place in Feb) a little lower grant fund contribution

[JMIR](https://osc.universityofcalifornia.edu/uc-publisher-relationships/jmir-oa-agreement/) 109 articles published (in place March) even lower grant fund contribution.

Thinks the increase in covid research is the reason for higher numbers.

* + - * 1. Transformative Agreements (TAs) so far:

Through existing UC agreements, over 30% of UC articles will be eligible for OA publishing

45% if we conclude our advanced negotiations are successful (including Wiley)

73% if we conclude with all publishers we’re currently working with

* + - * 1. In the planning stages for a California-wide collaboration with TAs. CDL is supporting Big Ten Academic Alliance negotiations for TAs. Discussions are reflective of T&P practices and disciplinary culture.
        2. Gunter Waibel – Associate Vice Provost and Executive Director (CDL)

Elsevier. Polarization and ideology needs to be addressed. Referred to the [Pathways to OA](https://osc.universityofcalifornia.edu/uc-publisher-relationships/resources-for-negotiating-with-publishers/pathways-to-oa/). “Friendly fire” doesn’t help. We need to focus on addressing the publisher practice and behavior.

* + - * 1. Announcement: Celebrated Ivy. [Transitioning to a new CDL Director](https://cdlib.org/cdlinfo/2021/04/30/welcome-ellen-finnie-cdls-new-director-of-shared-collection%20s/), Ellen Finnie.
        2. Budget: In a much better place for the next fiscal year. We will have the same level of contributed funds and campuses will not be facing an additional bill.
        3. Digital Research Data Security

Mark was not available but David Rusting stepped in. Chair noted that SLASIAC is a good group to consider how to engage faculty and message about the benefit to researchers and not as another imposition or tax on their time. Jenn Stringer (UCB) noted the recent ransomware incident involving the life-long corpus of research data that was stolen and deleted and then ransom required. Researchers lost months and months of research and the ability to do their research.

Key questions - where does the library fit? How do we incentivize researchers to use the tools we have?

What’s in it for you [the researcher or the library?]?

What services are available?

How do libraries level the playing field for non-STEM and advocate for support for all scholarship? Mentioned how important it is to have the library at the table and in these conversations.

* + - 1. SILS Update – Sarah Houghton, CDL Director of Discovery and Delivery
         1. Benefits:

improved infrastructure, replacing the aging system

Financial benefits, cuts shared system costs. 40% less than if each campus did it on their own

Helps improve collection decisions and helps with subscription negotiations

Opportunities to reduce redundancies

* + - * 1. July 27, 2021, “Go Live” start date

worked together as a system, on schedule and coming in under budget

Original $2.5 M has been revised to $1,088,871

What change will we see?

Libraries have expertise to come in under budget as they are used to working on a shoestring

Not yet integrated with campus LMS but that is coming

* + - 1. HathiTrust
         1. UC faculty, Students, and Staff may obtain lawful access through Emergency Temporary Access Service (ETAS) to specific digital volumes that correspond to physical books held by any UC library.
         2. All 10 campuses:

Implemented HathiTrust ETAS in April 2020, providing new, temporary access to ~6.4M in-copyright volumes for eligible UC users

Nearly doubles access to a grand total of >13M volumes

* + - * 1. Enables UC to continue to support is teaching, learning, and research mission during current service disruption
        2. Since launching the service, use has risen relatively steadily and in total represents more than 100,000 unique in-copyright titles being accessed by eligible UC users.
        3. We have heard from UC users who are:

Generally appreciative for the service supporting their research and teaching

Sometimes frustrated by some functional limitations of the service

* + - * 1. ETAS can inform similar projects to legally share in-copyright print
        2. High use of material that was already highly used in print
        3. Increase in use of content that had been more dormant
        4. More use of content than licensed eBook content
        5. Covers a broad span of topical domains, and some surprises – significant use of chemistry titles
        6. Usage at all UCs:

Climbing since April 2020

Use volume follows the academic calendar

Average unique users each day. ~1,000 for Winter 20201

>215,00 “checkouts

110,923 unique titles

Print circulation at all UCs of all formats in 2019 was 598,305

* + - * 1. Overlap ETAS/print

Highly circulated titles

Most ETAS titles didn’t circulate in print

* + - * 1. Understanding Use Cases

Course reading (resulting from responsive digitization)

A broad span of topical domains

Case example, UCB. All ETAS titles vs. E-reserve ETAS titles Fall 2020.

Titles: 2% E-reserve ETAS, 98% All ETAS titles

Usage: 12% E-reserve ETAS, 88% All ETAS titles

Case example, UCB. All E-reserve titles.

55% ETAS, 45% Licensed Ebooks, 2% other

* + - * 1. Understanding User Feedback from reference chats, Anecdotal accounts, and librarians’ feedback

Positive

Content availability

useful for teaching smaller classes

useful for checking citations and TOCs

Challenges

Content not available, quality lacking

HT service performance/functionality issues

Limitations on in-copyright content delivery, e.g., no downloading/printing, concurrent use restrictions

Implications for librarians/HathiTrust

Meeting resource sharing requests

Workload impact

Low user awareness -> user instruction, service promotion

Improvement ideas: check out duration, special use cases

* + - * 1. What we haven’t learned yet

Targeted and direct investigation to uncover

User motivation

How and why did they arrive at HT ETAS? Need further information to create more complete use cases (e.g., eReserves, other pursuits) and demographic context (e.g., discipline)

Perceptions of success or satisfaction

Did HT ETAS meet the user’s information needs or specific goals?

* + - * 1. Continued assessment work

User engagement

Continued data gathering

Content analysis

Alternative format requests/provision

Referrals

Reporting back to CoUL in summer 2021

Consider future work to make the most of our UC engagement with HathiTrust

* + - * 1. The content mirrors the strength and weaknesses of the UC physical print collections.

Implications for digital first, discovery and outreach, selection for digitization, and continued approaches to opening content.

* + - * 1. Questions

When will access ETAS stop?

Campuses are engaged in their own opening plans and HT is examining what a phaseout will look like.

UCLA L&I faculty are interested in examining the collection on diversity or lack thereof

CDL provided an [example dataset](https://www.hathitrust.org/usage-examples-of-hathitrust-datasets)

What can we do in non-pandemic times? What about accessibility

Angus MacDonald: They are working to control the UC’s legal risk and gave a [list of related course cases](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Authors_Guild,_Inc._v._HathiTrust), some of which have gone on for over a decade. Control our legal risk. Georgia State case of 11 years regarding eReserves and Internet Archive. Rick Prelinger mentioned that the IA case is expected to go on for a while. [University of Michigan](https://www.lib.umich.edu/collections/hathitrust-digital-library) copyright folks are doing the heavy lifting.

Sections 121 and 121A (which codified Marrakesh Treaty) of the Copyright Act:

<https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/17/121>

<https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/17/121A>

[Lawsuit against Internet archive by the publishers](https://wdet.org/posts/2020/10/15/90154-publisher-lawsuit-against-internet-archive-puts-futur%20e-of-book-ownership-in-question/)

* + - 1. eScholarship Publishing: Catherine Mitchell, CDL Director
         1. A proven pathway to OA
         2. Nearly 20k articles per year collected per the UC OA Policy in eScholarship
         3. eScholarship is over-performing in journal publishing
  1. SCLG Midyear Report – B. Quigley
     1. SCLG meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month via Zoom. Meeting notes are available on the [Shared Content Leadership Group (SCLG) Meetings page](https://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/sclg/meetings). However, meeting notes are currently delayed.
     2. SCLG is charged to make decisions in the areas of UC-wide collection development and management.
     3. Roster changes:
        1. Michael Walmsley joined SCLG as the new Assistant Director of Systemwide Licensing at CDL.
        2. Lidia Uziel joined as the new AUL for Research Resources & Scholarly Communication at UCSB.
        3. Roger Smith joined as the new AUL for Scholarly Resources & Services at UCSD.
        4. Ellen Finnie will be joining as the incoming Director of Shared Collections at CDL.
     4. Highlights from 2020-21 SCLG meetings include:
        1. Received regular updates from the following groups:
           1. Project Transform Working Group

Discussed status of negotiations and implementations related to transformative open access agreements.

* + - * 1. Scholarly Transformation Advice and Review (STAR) Team

Appointed Nicole Carpenter (UCI) and Mitchell Brown (UCI) to the team.

Authorized review of OSF Preprints, Punctum Books, and Free Journal Network.

* + - * 1. Systemwide Print Collection Management Strategy Working Group

Provided regular updates on progress on the charge and engagement strategy.

* + - 1. Discussed cost shares and perpetual access related to the Elsevier transformative agreement.
      2. Provided updates and discussed ideas around collections in the time of COVID and diversity and inclusion in collections throughout the year.
      3. Discussed OA membership investment criteria, the LYRASIS Open Access Community Investment Program Pilot, and the COPIM Project and Opening the Future initiative.
      4. Approved two systemwide cataloging initiatives to support SILS: OCLC Cataloging Plus Service from GOBI and Marcive’s Documents without Shelves service.
      5. Participated in interviews for the new Director of Shared Collections at CDL.
      6. Licensing issues & updates
         1. Tier 1 licensing/negotiations:

American Chemical Society Journals

IEEE

IOP Journals

Oxford University Press Journals

Sage Journals

SciFinder

Springer Ebooks & Protocols

Taylor & Francis Journals

Web of Science

Wiley

* + - * 1. New acquisitions/OA investments:

Hartford Courant (ProQuest)

IET Journal Archive

Kingendai shiryō dētabēsu [Political History of Japan Database]

Latin American Anarchist and Labour Periodicals Online

Los Angeles Sentinel (ProQuest)

MIT Press Direct

Oxford Research Encyclopedia: African History

Project Muse Ebooks

UC Press Ebooks

Wen shi zi liao, Literary & Historical Materials

Yale Art and Architecture ePortal

* 1. UCOLASC – M. Brennan
     1. No recent meetings
  2. SLFB – H. Schiraldi
     1. No report
  3. AF Task force – M. Brennan
     1. The work continues
     2. This year’s LAUC Assembly featured a discussion on Monday that has been recorded.
        1. It discussed the lived experiences of Academic Freedom by librarians.
        2. The discussion will continue later this afternoon during the Assembly.

1. New business/Continuing Business
   1. No new business
2. Round Robin: Highlights and issues from the campuses
   1. Berkeley (R. Collins)
      1. Berkeley’s Academic Personnel Analyst will start on June 1. However, they are losing their HR Generalist, so they are back to the same inadequate staffing level in the Library HR department.
      2. LAUC-B will host an online conference on October 5-6, 2021. The  
         conference will explore further the critical librarianship topics  
         discussed at our last conference in 2019. When the conference website  
         goes live R. Collins will update this committee.
   2. Davis (D. Michalski)
      1. Strategic Plan
         1. In 2021, UC Davis Library launched a strategic planning process to guide the UC Davis Library’s priorities and allocation of resources over the next five years. The Strategic Plan Steering committee, which includes LAUC-D membership, is working with DeEtta Jones and Associates on this project. Currently, they are conducting research on peer university libraries, on trends in research libraries, and forming and interviewing focus groups. The goal is to develop a strategic plan that will actively incorporates the values of diversity, equity, inclusion throughout, by the end of the Summer.
      2. Fall Plans
         1. The UC Davis Library expect all of our library buildings — Shields, Carlson Health Sciences and Blaisdell Medical libraries — to be open by the start of the fall term for the schools and colleges they serve. While the Library is excited to open-up, we will be working to fold into our services the successful new ways of working that we learned during the pandemic closures.
      3. On the Pandemic
         1. Just like other campuses the pandemic caused extreme disruptions for our faculty and students, and to our work in the Library. Looking back, I do believe that we did our best, under the circumstances, and I am proud of my co-workers, librarians and staff, as well as our campus and library leadership, so I would like to thank our University Librarian, MacKenzie Smith, and Deputy University Library, William Garrity for keeping us together and informed over the course of this year.
   3. Irvine (M. Dickerson)
      1. UCI Libraries has a Town Hall meeting planned for May 19 to discuss re-opening and return to work plans for summer and fall.
      2. UCI Libraries, as part of UCI’s Giving Day effort, raised over $11,000 to support expanded diversity in library collections.
   4. Los Angeles (P. Fletcher)
      1. The entire 2020/2021 term has been conducted virtually, via Zoom meetings due to Covid-19 stay at home restrictions and other related precautions.
      2. Committee assignments were straightforward this year, with plenty of volunteers for both membership and chair responsibilities.
      3. The executive board has met 8 times as of this report.
      4. The Fall Membership meeting was held November 19, 2020. Seventy-four persons attended. Seventeen new librarians were welcomed.
      5. The spring membership meeting was held April 13, 2021, attendance (not official) was 67. Awarded Librarian of the year to Maureen Russell.
      6. Election is upcoming.
      7. LAUC-LA has been unable to spend much of its funding due to Covid restrictions on assembly (no in-person meetings with catering, etc.)
      8. The chair charged Committee on Professional Governance (CPG) with updating the bylaws after the chair noticed parts of them were inconsistent and also described duties for the vice-chair elect needed to be updated.
      9. The chair also charged CPG with conducting a telecommuting survey among its members to generally assess opinions on this issue considering the Covid-19 remote work policy and to better inform the membership and library in creating a new policy.
      10. The members on the Committee to Review the Call informed the board that the example of UC-AFT in the Call, specifically as an example in the Data Summary, would be removed and replaced with more general language. Apparently other campuses make no mention of UC-AFT activities in Call documentation. The discussion and correspondence associated with this issue were documented in the chair’s email to the membership on March 22, 2021. The chair endorsed having the LAUC Committee on Professional Governance do an investigation/survey among the 10 campuses to find out how union activity is or is not dealt with in peer review on each campus. Their report should help LAUC-LA guide the membership in how to deal with union work in peer review.
   5. Merced (S. Davidson Squibb)
      1. The EVC/Provost has submitted priorities for funding, including library funding, to the Chancellor.  The library expects to hear back about the Chancellor’s decisions by the end of May.  Information about any additional funding will not be available until August. In April, LAUC-M had a discussion with their EVC/Provost about campus planning and the state of the library.
      2. The Library and Scholarly Communication Committee (LASC), an academic senate committee, submitted a letter to the Academic Senate requesting that the uniform campus budget cut not be applied to the library. The library met a 5% budget cut (AY 2020-2021) by not filling four positions promised in 2019. The library anticipates an additional 7% cut for AY 2021-2022.  Key consequences will be reduced hours of operation and fewer dollars for collections.
      3. Merced is tentatively looking at a mid-August opening date for the library. Fall instruction begins, August 25th.
      4. LAUC-M is crafting a response to Merced campus’ [2030 Draft Strategic Plan](https://strategicplan.ucmerced.edu/review-draft-plan).
   6. Riverside (C. Arbagey)
      1. No report
   7. San Diego (L. McPhee)
      1. No report
   8. San Francisco (M. Fang)
      1. No report
   9. Santa Barbara (C. Busselen)
      1. No report
   10. Santa Cruz (J. Waggoner)
       1. The Spring Membership Meeting will be on May 11th. The agenda includes discussion about the library reopening, a debrief of this statewide assembly, an election update, and reports from members of the executive council and representatives to the statewide committees.
       2. J. Waggoner has reached out to CPG to inquire about the process for updating the bylaws.

**1:55 pm: Adjournment**

Motioned by I. Wang and seconded by D. Sanderson-Hunter.