



OFFICE OF THE LAUC PRESIDENT

September 28, 2017

LAUC Committee on Professional Governance
Librarians Association of the University of California

TO: Mitchell Brown, Chair, LAUC Committee on Professional Governance
FR: Carla Arbagey, LAUC President
RE: 2014-15 Charge, LAUC Committee on Professional Governance

I am pleased to appoint you 2017-2018 Chair of the LAUC Committee on Professional Governance for a term commencing October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2018.

Administrative Structure

Please note that LAUC Committees fall under LAUC Executive Board purview. The LAUC President sets overall priorities for committee work by means of the committee's charge. The primary duty of each LAUC committee is to fulfill the charge given to it by the LAUC President. Once a committee's charge has been fulfilled, the committee may address other issues, with the approval of the LAUC President.

Committee Background and Significance

For LAUC, the term "professional governance" primarily relates to issues regarding peer review and the status of librarians at the University of California. LAUC represents all UC librarians, both managers and non-managers. Committee members have the significant responsibility to represent the views and needs of the entire membership.

General Charge

For 2017-2018, the Committee is charged with fulfilling its standing charge, Article VIII. Section 1.e.1:

- a. Advise the President and the Executive Board on issues that affect librarians, peer review, and other professional governance issues.
- b. Serve as a review body for Divisions who may request evaluation of local peer review procedures.
- c. Serve as a Bylaws review committee for proposed changes to the LAUC Bylaws and Standing Rules. Be available to review the Divisions' Bylaws for consistency with the LAUC Bylaws and Standing Rules, and to consult with Divisions on request.
- d. Address other subjects at the request of the President and consider and develop recommendations on matters of librarian professional governance.

Specific Charge for 2014-15

Conduct a review of LAUC [Position Paper #5](#), "The Academic Librarian in the University of California." This important position paper affirms the academic and professional status of librarians, and that librarians should have a voice in shaping the future of the UC libraries. The review should incorporate the opinions and feedback from all LAUC divisions. In the review, determine whether Position Paper #5 should be replaced with an updated version or retired. Given that this document affirms librarians' academic status, the Committee's review should also take into consideration whether the paper should also address academic freedom for librarians.

Timeline

As Chair of a standing committee, you will be expected to attend the monthly conference calls of the Board. If there is a conflict, just let me know, and we can work around it.

A draft of the committee's recommendations for its specific charge should be prepared for review by the LAUC membership in February with a final draft based on responses to be submitted to the LAUC Executive Board by mid-March. The dates will be determined later.

The Committee will need to present a mid-year report to the LAUC membership at the 2018 LAUC Spring Assembly. The report will include information on the current activity of the Committee and status of the review of Position Paper #5, including draft replacement language, if feasible within the timeframe. The Committee will also need to submit a final committee report to the President by September 1, 2018.

Reports should be submitted using the following format:

Reporting Guidelines

SUBJECT LINE: [Committee Name] Report
BODY OF MESSAGE:
TO: LAUC President
FR: [Committee Name]
RE: [year (e.g., 2017-2018)]Report Name (e.g., Final Report)]

Committee Charge:
Summary of Action Items:
Body of Report with Discussion and Recommendations [formatted as motions, in keeping with Sturgis]
Names of Committee Members
Attachments (if any)

Committee Work and Meetings

Committee business should be conducted via email or through the use of other technologies, such as conference call(s) or chat.

Committee Expenses

The current LAUC Travel and Reimbursement Policy and Procedures document is linked to the LAUC homepage. Different Divisions may handle transactions differently and Committee members should check with their local accounting officers to find out how their Division handles charges to the LAUC account.

Thank you for your service to the LAUC membership. We all very much appreciate your efforts on our behalf. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns about the Charge.

Committee on Professional Governance

CHAIR

Mitchell Brown

Research Librarian for Chemistry, Earth System Science, Pharmaceutical Sciences and Russian Studies
Scholarly Communications Coordinator
University of California, Irvine Libraries
230 Francisco J. Ayala Science Library
P.O. Box 19557
Irvine, CA 92623-9557
Phone (949) 824-9732 | Fax (949) 824-0605 | E-mail mcbrown@uci.edu

Berkeley: Debbie Jan, djan@library.berkeley.edu

Davis: Elaine Franco, eafranco@ucdavis.edu

Los Angeles: Hong Cheng, chengh@library.ucla.edu

Riverside: Cherry Williams, cherry.williams@ucr.edu

San Diego: Sam Dunlap, sdunlap@ucsd.edu

San Francisco: David Krah, david.krah@ucsf.edu

Merced: Sara Davidson Squibb, sdavidson2@ucmerced.edu

Santa Cruz: Rachel Deblinger, rdebling@ucsc.edu

Santa Barbara: Andrea Duda, andrea.duda@ucsb.edu