March 25, 2019

TO: LAUC President, Roger Smith
FR: LAUC Committee on Professional Governance
RE: 2018-2019 Preliminary Status Report from the LAUC Revision to The Academic Librarian in the University of California (Position Paper No. 5) Task Force

Committee Charge:

General Charge

For 2018-2019, the Committee is charged with fulfilling its standing charge, Article VIII, Section 1.f.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 Charges for 2018-2019

1. Review the notes and statements made during the breakout sessions during the 2018 LAUC Assembly:
   a. Topics included qualities and values of librarians, support for the University’s mission, new roles and job titles, and professional activities
   b. Use the main principles and statements from the breakout sessions as a basis for charge #2
2. Revise Position Paper 5, The Academic Librarian in the University of California
   a. Restate the principle(s) from the above charge in a succinct style that is adaptable to future developments and restructuring
   b. Prepare drafts according to the timeline below
3. Consult the LAUC President and Executive Board as needed throughout the revision process
4. For topics identified or surfaced from the LAUC Assembly session notes that are outside the scope of PP5, make a recommendation for further study
Summary of Actions:

As of March 25, the LAUC Committee on Professional Governance (CPG) has held seven Zoom conference calls and conducted extensive exchanges of ideas and information with both committee members and other LAUC members to successfully complete the committee’s general charge and specific charge for 2018-2019. We created a Google team drive to archive our documentation and drafts created during the revision process.

In particular, we used the information, main principles and statements from the 2018 LAUC Assembly breakout sessions as a basis for our work. We included revised and new language on the topics of the qualities and values of librarians, support for the University’s mission, new roles and job titles, and professional activities.

We met the timeline goal included in our charge, completed our first draft, and submitted it to the LAUC Executive Board on March 25, 2019.

In terms of next steps, we propose adhering to following time schedule as provided with our Specific Charge for 2018-2019:

- April/May 2019 – Discussion during LAUC Executive Board meetings
- May-June 2019 - Incorporate feedback as provided by the Board
- June 28, 2019 – Revised paper distributed to membership
- July 15, 2019 – Final drafts ready for voting by membership
- 2019 (LAUC special assembly possible) – LAUC Executive Board discussion and voting

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