TO: LAUC President, Dana Peterman

FR: LAUC Committee on Professional Governance

RE: 2016-2017 Preliminary Status Report

Committee Charge:

General Charge

For 2016-17, the Committee is charged with fulfilling its standing charge, Article VIII. Section 1.e.1 (approved by UCOP March 23, 2009):

- 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 2016-17

Investigate the two or more Bylaws changes that have elicited substantial comment or concern
in the past 50 years and provide editorial pieces to be published on the LAUC blog and website
of not more than 500 words per article. The articles are the responsibility of the committee, but
do not have to be written by its members. The committee is encouraged to seek out both past
and present LAUC members for their views and/or authorship.

Summary of Actions:

As of April 5, 2017, the LAUC Committee on Professional Governance (CPG) has held one conference call and conducted extensive exchanges of ideas and information via email with both committee members and other LAUC members to successfully complete the committee's general charge and specific charge for 2016-2017.

The Committee discussed various Bylaws changes (or proposed Bylaws changes) and ultimately selected to write editorial pieces on Article II. Duties and Responsibilities, Article III. Membership, and Article VIII. Section 1.f.3. Committee on Diversity. Advice from former LAUC Executive Board members was solicited regarding the most recent issues regarding the membership of LAUC as well as the origins and history of the Committee on Diversity. Information and background materials were collected to be used as source materials for brief editorial pieces which will be included in the body of work celebrating the 50th anniversary of LAUC at this year's LAUC Assembly.

In late 2016, CPG was charged with collecting feedback and comments from the membership on Draft Position Papers No.2 and No.4 and submitted the feedback to the Position Papers Rewrite Task Force. Substantial feedback from the membership was delivered to the chair of the Position Paper Rewrite Task Force.

Recently CPG was asked to review revisions to the LAUC-D bylaws and provide feedback and any recommendations. This is an ongoing task and should be an annual activity for all divisions.

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