Minutes: LAUC Executive Board Conference Call

Thursday, November 3, 2011 2:00-4:00 PM

LAUC President Mitchell Brown called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

Present: President Mitchell Brown, Past President Michael Yonezawa, Secretary Lillian Castillo-Speed; Divisional Chairs 2011-12: LAUC-B Vice-Chair Susan Edwards, LAUC-D Chair Deanna Johnson, LAUC-I Vice-Chair Kristin Wells Andrews, LAUC-LA Chair Louise Ratliff, LAUC-M Chair Sara Davidson, LAUC-R Chair Manuel Urrizola, LAUC-UCSB Chair Chuck Huber, LAUC-SD Chair Patrick McCarthy, LAUC-SF Chair Peggy Tahir, LAUC-SC Chair Annette Marines, Parliamentarian Dean Rowan, SOPAG Representative Bob Heyer-Gray.

Agenda

- A. Check-in (roll call) (L. Castillo-Speed)
- B. Announcements (M. Brown) M. Brown attended the Charleston Conference: Issues in Book and Serial Acquisition; he'll report later on relevant issues. He thanks and congratulates the Berkeley Division for the well-organized, very informative Fiat Flux conference. As for LAUC website, it is being updated soon.
- C. Approval of minutes October 6, 2011 (L. Castillo-Speed)

 Minutes were approved by acclamation; minor revisions from B. Heyer-Gray will be incorporated.
- D. Statewide Committees/Advisory Groups
 - 1. Procedures for substitute representatives on Advisory Committees.
- LAUC Chair and Vice-Chair can sit in on conference calls (also member-at-large); the ULs and the faculty senate prefer no other substitutes, so we will respect that.
 - 2. Committee on Professional Governance--no update.
 - 3. Committee on Diversity--no update.
- 4. Research & Professional Development Committee: Keri Botello sent the call to the divisions; has been received by most campuses. M. Brown encourages all to apply; first deadline is early (end of Nov.), with a final deadline of early February. More details to come.
- 5. SOPAG/HOTS: In person meeting with the All Campus Group (ACG) chairs. Lengthy CoUL presentation outlined strategic plan, which can't be shared yet. Hopefully plan will be posted soon.
- 6. Nominating Committee: M. Yonezawa is chair; committee includes Danielle Kaine (UCI) and Lisa Rowlison de Ortiz (UCB). Goal is 3 candidates per position. Please talk to librarians on your campuses and refer them to one of the committee members--or tell the committee member about a possible candidate.

E. Fiat Flux Report (M. Brown)

Dean Christopher Edley's presentation on online education was deliberately provocative, pointing out advantages. M. Yonezawa pointed out that he had sent a letter to Vice Provost Dan Greenstein asking about library resources, but C. Edley had not seen it. Cathy Palmer of UCI said that the development of online education is not at the point where this question can be answered. Points made by Executive Board members on this conference call: faculty who create online classes are not necessarily interested in open access (OA) materials; current class proposals went through phase 1 (screening); next phase is putting the class together; no definite timeline is discernible; there will be another call for proposals; A. Marines reports that UCSC UL Ginny Steel (also convenor of CoULs) is concerned about the Library being unprepared and would like to know what LAUC's concerns are. Action: M. Brown will contact her and report to Excomm. He will also re-examine the letter sent last December and decide how we can follow up. M. Yonezawa said that he re-sent the letter to C. Edley right after the conference but got no response. It was sent to a variety of people, including last year's ExComm list. S. Edwards reported that a conference cochair reported that C. Edley followed up with UC Vice Provost Daniel Greenstein on the concerns voiced by librarians at the conference. D. Greenstein indicated that he would respond soon. As of Nov. 3 there was no response. Action: M. Brown will re-send the original letter to the current ExComm list and the Vice-Chair-Chair-Elect for internal review. Wrap-up on conference discussion: general congratulations on a job well done; conference materials will be posted on the Fiat Flux space on LAUC-B Division website; A. Marines will send her poster session to Nick Robinson to add to Fiat Flux space: eScholarship is a great way to capture poster sessions; white papers from Brian Mathews' interviews with graduate students will come out in January.

F. UCOLASC--brief report from October 19, 2011 meeting (M. Brown)

This is the faculty senate committee on libraries and scholarly communication. New chair is Christopher Kelty. COAPI is a coalition of OA universities; it recommends publishers. UC does not currently have an OA mandate so is not part of this coalition. In the past there has been faculty push back. Group was pleased to have a librarian (M. Brown) present; group is positive toward individual libraries but may have differences with ULs as a group. The discussion on *Nature* has not been resolved; announcement coming soon. Director of UC Press, Alison Muddit was a guest; she reported that there is a re-organization of the press concerning what titles to publish. There is a lawsuit against Hathi Trust and UC brought by the Authors Guild concerning the distribution of eBooks. Hathi Trust wants to make pre-1923 books more available. They had also been hoping to make some individual books from 1923-1967 available on request, but all of the 1923-1967 books will have to wait, pending a resolution on the issue of orphan works.

At the meeting, M. Brown commented on what librarians can offer in these discussions.

G. Assembly

- 1. Update (A. Marines): Catering prices for both sites (UCSC and San Jose) were compared. M. Brown: transportation is a bigger issue. **Action:** M. Brown will send her a spreadsheet comparing last year and previous year travel costs. The date will be decided by email before Thanksgiving. A. Marines is not available on May 11.
- 2. M. Brown will start populating the LAUC Assembly list, LAUCASSEMBLY-L. The latest count of librarians was on Sept. 1, 2011--the number may go up.
- 3. General Meeting/Assembly (M. Brown); he will look at topics and potential speakers. **Action**: M. Brown will send out call for ideas for speakers, will set date, and start planning. One speaker will be from UCOP. M. Brown would like an update on NGTS. Virginia Steele was suggested as a speaker, since she is the CoULs convenor; also, Roberto Manduchi (on UCOLASC) and Christopher Kelty. M. Brown: San Jose site is preferable with possible ExComm meeting at UCSC the next day.
- H. New Business--none.
- I. Round Robin

UCB: Fiat Flux had 160 attendees; 65 evaluations received; high marks.

UCD: Recruitment for UL moving forward, perhaps by next spring will be filled. The job postings for Department Heads for the 1) Agricultural, Environmental, and Physical Sciences, and Engineering, 2) Health and Life Sciences closed Oct. 21. Three line librarian positions to be posted soon.

UCI: Appointments: Audra Yun hired as Archivist; Patricia Glowinski will start this month as Processing Archivist for Regional History (temporary); Caitlin Plovnik hired as Literacy Assessment Project Librarian (temporary). Recruitments: Metadata and Digital Resources Librarian; Research Law Librarian for Instructional Services; Electronic and Metadata Librarian (Law School). Coming up: Research Librarian for Business; Research Librarian for Health Sciences.

UCLA: 14 (of 18) new librarians introduced at fall membership meeting; conducted peer review workshop; Research and Professional Development Grant workshop will be held tomorrow; using Libguides software to create LAUC-LA procedures manual.

UCM: Digital Curation Librarian position posted.

UCR: Salary increases effective Oct. 1; An "Occupy Movement" program was held outdoors (200 attendees) on OccupyLA and OccupyRiverside.

UCSB: Beverly Ryan: retirement at end of Dec. Searches beginning in January: Head of Special Collections; Digital Collection Initiatives Librarian Metadata Services Librarian, and Business/Economics Librarian. Searches beginning in November, 2011: AULs for IT and Digital Initiatives, Outreach and Academic Collaboration, Research and Scholar Services, the Head of Cataloging and Metadata Services; Librarians for Performing Arts and Black Studies & Social Sciences.

UCSC: Their senate committee on libraries is creating a survey of faculty and grad students on what they know about OA and copyright; they want 5 librarian questions. Grateful Dead conference. Special Collections is closed during move.

UCSF: Final interviews for Archivist; Duke University webinar with Kevin Smith attracted 20 attendees. Will be purchased so others can see it.

UCSD: Library received \$1.1 million gift from estate of alum with Ph.D. in History; will be used to expand European History endowment and for 24/7 access in libraries.

Further topics brought up by M. Yonezawa:

- 1. Distinguished Status: be aware of complications from "missing note" in academic salary scales. What happens when librarians go from 5 to 6 but are not trying for "Distinguished" status? On Oct. 7 he sent a suggestion as to how the librarian scale could compare to the faculty scale, e.g. increase the steps in the Librarian ranks from 7 to 9. Should this be proposed by LAUC ExComm?
- 2. ALA Conference panel "The status of librarians: the best of times or the worst of times." M. Yonezawa or Matt Connors (ALA author and previous CPG chair) may be selected for panel. M. Yonezawa will send further info.

Adjourned at 3:21 p.m. Next conference call date/time: Dec. 1, 2011 2-4 PM