Minutes: LAUC Executive Board Conference Call

Thursday, December 1, 2011 2:00-4:00 PM

LAUC President Mitchell Brown called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. **Present:** President Mitchell Brown, Vice-President Keri Botello, Secretary Lillian Castillo-Speed; Divisional Chairs 2011-12: LAUC-B Chair Nick Robinson, LAUC-D Chair Deanna Johnson, LAUC-I Chair Pauline Manaka, LAUC-LA Chair Louise Ratliff, LAUC-M Chair Sara

Davidson, LAUC-R Chair Manuel Urrizola, LAUC-SB Chair Chuck Huber, LAUC-SD Chair Patrick McCarthy, LAUC-SC Chair Annette Marines, Parliamentarian Dean Rowan, SOPAG Representative Bob Heyer-Gray, HOPS Representative Lynn Jones.

Agenda

- A. Check-in (roll call) (L. Castillo-Speed)
- <u>B. Announcements</u> (M. Brown) UCOP changed accounting system but \$14,000 was transferred successfully to UCI to cover the assembly and the transition meeting. B. Heyer-Gray sent update from SOPAG.
- C. Approval of minutes November 3, 2011 (L. Castillo-Speed)Minutes were approved by acclamation; revisions will be incorporated.

D. Assembly

- 1. Update. M. Brown has yet to complete some tasks: set a formal date; travel issues relating to smaller budget than last year. He will have details by Dec. 9 and send dates to the Board. Options are May 10-11 and May 24-25.
 - 2. General Meeting/ Assembly
- M. Brown has not yet contacted Virginia Steele (CoULs convenor) since date is not set. Next Gen Tech Services is the theme. Ideally, should be a speaker on Open Access, or the re-use or sharing of data. The Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) in Washington, DC is developing policies on Open Access publishing and data storage. (M. Brown is writing policies for UCI.) LAUC may have an opportunity to comment and to be recognized for participating. This could be a topic addressed at the assembly, for example, what is LAUC's role?; how does UCOP address these issues? As far as structure, M. Brown would like to make sure we have time for breakout sessions.

E. Statewide Committees/Advisory Groups

1. Committee on Professional Governance (L. Jones): At committee conference call yesterday, reminded divisions to report proposals for bylaws changes in time; discussed election voting; discussed charge to give directions to divisions on the CPG report; discussion on how to collect responses to report from divisions. In answer to a question, L. Jones stated that the CPG needs to see division bylaws changes only after the changes are made. Discussion on this point ensued and these points made: 1) Systemwide bylaws were updated in March 2009; 2) The major revision was to allow that changes to "standing rules"

can be made without formal voting; 3) CPG should review local bylaws to make sure they are consistent. **ACTION**: M. Brown recommends that CPG review proposed changes before they go to the ballot; divisions should send them in for review by April 30.

- 2. Committee on Diversity--no update.
- 3. Research & Professional Development Committee: Keri Botello sent the call out recently. Some interest at UCLA: a brown bag and questions. Nothing sent in so far. Both K. Botello and M. Brown encourage librarians to apply.
- 4. SOPAG (B. Heyer-Gray): Lawrence Berkeley Lab will put its records in UCB's catalog. Melvyl Advisory Group changes have been accepted by CoULs. Discussion of plan to centralize ILL service among campuses. The report, "UC Libraries Systemwide Plan & Priorities, FY 2012-2015" (September 19, 2011) has been posted on the Council of University Librarians website. To see the internal UC version with specific initiatives, scroll down to bottom of page or click here:

http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/about/uls/docs/UC%20libraries_plans_priorities_internal_final.pdf

As far as communication of NGTS information, there is a need to make clear as to who is responsible for sending out what information. Heather Christenson (CDL) spoke on the recently launched UC Library Reprints service. In partnership with Hewlett-Packard, many public domain volumes digitized from the UC libraries by Internet Archive and Google are now available for purchase through Amazon. http://uc.bookprep.com/

5. HOPS (L. Jones): The group has been reviewing proposals for new services, such as VDX for ILL. M. Brown commented that ILL should be made effective enough to take advantage of shared services, including moving objects in print from one campus to another. This is an ongoing concern.

<u>F. Review Criteria Inclusion for Criterion 2</u> (Professional Activity outside the Library): UC-AFT participation

Much discussion on communication from UCD Vice Provost of Academic Personnel stating that union activity will not be considered in merit reviews so it should not be included as part of professional activity. According to HEERA 3571, it was deemed inappropriate since the campus is not allowed to judge the quality of union participation. Letter was sent to an AUL who then forwarded it to CAPA. A sample of comments: Such activity could be at a national or regional level and should be acknowledged for professional impact; another board member reported on advice from review initiator not to include union activities; a simple statement "I am a member of the union" requires no evaluation; there are some librarians who do spend a lot of time on union activities (and in some cases receiving awards for their work), so that's why the issue has come up; may UC-AFT write a letter of support for a review packet?; aside from the merits of the issue, it is a dangerous precedent to define the criteria outside of the APM and

the MOU; not good to have one campus setting policy for the university; should we even ask the question, since by asking it we might get a definite answer that we might not like; this is an APM matter--going beyond the library; we should check the APM and make sure UCD is following proper procedures; this might be local practice at UCD but the issue is not resolved. A sentence in the letter reads: "You may also advise CAPA that AFT was made aware of this in 2009 and declined to file a grievance..." **Action**: M. Brown will contact AFT for documentation on 2009 response. **Action**: All--ask your CAPA if they are aware of the issue. **Action**: M. Brown will make this an agenda item; a statement needs to be made so that a precedent is not set. We should be able to define our own professional involvement. **Action**: D. Johnson will send the letter to M. Brown.

<u>G. New Business</u>: Online Instruction Letter. **Action:** M. Brown will redraft the letter originally sent to Chris Edley by Michael Yonazawa. This is an update and continuation of the discussion to make sure library resources are considered in the online instruction pilot. C. Edley did not remember seeing the letter. Others on the online instruction committee do not recall receiving it.

H. Round Robin

UCB: ExComm drafted statement on peer review standards--to be sent to CAPA. After comments from members it will be finalized. Will share with UL in January. ExComm will discuss with members a proposal to endorse 4 resolutions from the Academic Faculty Senate concerning use of force during Nov. 9th police actions. Thanks to D. Rowan for help with procedural issues.

UCD: No update. No response from LAUC-D concerning violence on campus, but the UL encourages librarians to attend the Senate Federation meeting tomorrow.

UCI: Small ad-hoc group is trying to figure out how to archive LAUC-I materials. Ongoing searches (mentioned last month). M. Brown reports that construction in the Science Library will force him to move his office until mid-December or January. Phone number will not change.

UCLA: Currently holding interviews for Head of Center for Primary Research Training and Latin American & Iberian Studies Librarian. Upcoming position: Digital Resources Librarian in Dept. of Information Studies. Brown bag on CPG report: Lynda Tolley was there. Young Research Library opened the first floor research commons. COLASC-LA is very interested in the library showcasing results of faculty research, in developing a new sense of partnership between faculty and librarians. Also, very interested in Open Access.

UCM: Reviewing applications for Digital Curation Librarian position. Suspicious package last Thursday caused closing of library--not a bomb.

UCR: Resolution to invite all library staff with MLS to attend all LAUC-R meetings and participate in discussions as non-voting attendees. So far 3 people have attended.

UCSB: No news yet on construction. Recruitment ongoing. Brown bag next week on merit reviews.

UCSC: Program on LAUC grants to be held. Participating in national survey on "The Learning Commons" (University of Florida). Local COLASC helped with advertising, worked with librarians. There was one "Occupy" night on campus, which was resolved with no problems. Library renovation provided better furniture, better looking environment.

UCSD: Two weeks ago UL released re-org plan with substantial changes: eliminates all discipline-based libraries. Half of staff will see changes in what they do. By July 1, new structure will be in place. Consolidation of Scripps Library is continuing. Two buildings remaining will be main library and the biomedical building (with a different name).

Adjourned at 3:52 p.m. Next conference call date/time: Jan. 5, 2012, 2-4 PM