



OFFICE OF THE LAUC PRESIDENT

LAUC President's Report Spring 2011

LAUC Assembly

On March 10th, 2011, LAUC held its annual Assembly hosted by LAUC-SB at beautiful UC Santa Barbara. There were 86 members registered for the Assembly of which 78 were able to attend. The Assembly officers, delegates and attendees were warmly greeted by Co-Acting University Librarians, Sherry DeDecker and Lucia Snowhill. The Assembly featured presentations from Janet Lockwood, Associate Director, Academic Personnel, Academic Advancement, UCOP & Jesse Bernal, Interim University Diversity Coordinator; Daniel Greenstein, Vice Provost, Academic Planning, Programs, and Coordination; Bruce Miller, University Librarian, UC Merced; and Gene Lucas, Executive Vice Chancellor, UCSB / SLASIAC Chair. One notable criticism of the Assembly was the lack of time to fully explore all of the agenda items and to allow greater discussion and debate. On the other hand, this demonstrates the interest and dedication of the membership to advise the University and the Office of the President in all matters concerning the libraries and librarians of the University. Notes and video from the Assembly have been posted on the LAUC Blog: <http://laucassembly.blogspot.com/>

Assembly business also included three resolutions. Two memorial resolutions were passed recognizing the contributions of two former LAUC members, Locke Morrisey and Patti Schifter Caravello, both of whom passed away in 2010. The LAUC Executive Board decided in lieu of future resolutions, LAUC should establish and maintain a memorial web site to honor and remember past members. The 3rd resolution, addressing the University of California budget cuts, was withdrawn by LAUC-R delegate, Patricia Smith-Hunt, due to concerns regarding the language and tone of the resolution as well as questions regarding the intended audience of the resolution. *The LAUC Resolution: University of California Budget Cuts* will be reexamined by the LAUC Executive Board and then reintroduced to the Assembly for further discussion and ultimately a vote.

Finally, Assembly attendees were asked to participate in breakout sessions focusing on seven specific areas of librarianship and to discuss these with each other and next generation librarians. The ideas generated from these sessions will be utilized by the Committee on Professional Governance to complete their charge on the future of UC librarianship.

Committee/Task Forces/Working Groups

Committee on Professional Governance continues to work towards completing its charge. Several members of the committee were fully involved in developing the questions asked during the Assembly Breakout Sessions as well as participating in the discussions themselves. The Committee's Final Report is expected this summer.

Committee on Diversity is actively engaged in developing a survey instrument designed to collect information from each LAUC member so LAUC and the University will have a much more complete picture of the state of UC librarianship with which to make informed decisions regarding recruitment and retention of UC librarians. Participation will be strictly anonymous in order to collect as much data as possible. See also, the Human Resources section of the LAUC website for the latest headcount, gender report and ethnicity report for UC Librarians. It should be noted that these reports do not include librarians outside of the Class Title Outline (CTO) 621 including the ULs, AULs, and law librarians. LAUC is looking into more comprehensive numbers for the April 2011 reports. See http://www.ucop.edu/lauc/human_resources/ & <http://www.ucop.edu/acadpersonnel/title3.html>

Committee on Research & Professional Development

See <http://www.ucop.edu/lauc/committees/rpd/report-spring-2011.pdf>

Nominating Committee completed its charge and submitted a full slate for the June Election. Committee members are: Lucia Diamond, LAUC Past President (UCB) – Chair, Greg Careaga, UCSC and Mary Linn Bergstrom (UCSD). See <http://www.ucop.edu/lauc/elections/>

Ad hoc Committee on the Future of the LAUC Assembly will explore alternatives to holding in-person assemblies in order to be more fiscally responsible as well as take advantage of existing technologies to expand membership participation. See <http://www.ucop.edu/lauc/committees/assemblies/>

LAUC Outstanding Service Award Working Group will be formed to implement the recommendations from a *LAUC Ad hoc Awards Committee* charged in 2003/2004 to create an award to honor outstanding members for their service to LAUC. The members of the working group and their specific charge will be forthcoming.

Position Paper Working Group will be formed to complete the recommendations of a 2003/2004 *Position Paper Review Task Force* and to provide LAUC with recommendations concerning any further revisions to the Position Papers since the Task Force submitted its final report at the 2004 Fall Assembly.

Call for LAUC representatives to Systemwide Advisory Groups

SLASIAC (Systemwide Library and Scholarly Information Advisory Committee)

Current representative: Barbara Schader (2011) See SLASIAC Library Planning Task Force [[Website](#)]

HOPS (Heads of Public Services) Current representative: Cathy Palmer (2011)

LTAG (Library Technology Advisory Group) Current representative: Dan Suchy (2011)

Respectfully Submitted,

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LAUC President, 2010/2011