Greetings LAUC members and welcome to the second of our newsletters.

A Message from LAUC President Matt Conner

In cooperation with the California Research System (CRS) and the wide Coordinating Committee (CCC), LAUC has assisted with part of the development process and furnished content that will be available immediately. It is our understanding that CRS will have an official release of a complex six part development and migration process involving many different stakeholders. The exact date for this release is not yet set, but we will provide an update as soon as it is made available.

While Carla Arbagey and the LAUC staff administered the new system flawlessly, there were a few challenges that arose during the transition. One of the main issues was the need to update the Academic Personnel Manual (APM) to reflect the changes made by CRS. LAUC sent its deepest appreciation to Janet Lockwood and Janie Steely for their hard work on this project and for adapting the revision schedule for the APM to allow the task force to do its job. The team has worked tirelessly to ensure that the APM is accurate and up-to-date, and we are confident that it will meet the needs of our members.

In the coming weeks, LAUC will continue to work on revising the APM and submitting them to UCOP by the original deadline of 3 June. In the meantime, we encourage you to provide feedback and suggestions for revising the APM. We will be gathering these suggestions for a future newsletter.

In this issue, we will be featuring two major successes of the Spring Assembly. The first success is the adoption of the LAUC Distinguished Service Award, which will recognize a member who has made significant contributions to the University. The second success is the adoption of the LAUC Fellowship Program, which will provide funding for members to attend conferences and workshops.

As always, we value your feedback and welcome any ideas you may have for future newsletters. If you have a topic you would like to see discussed in a future newsletter, please look for a call for submissions.

Annual Elections

The LAUC election process is underway, and we encourage all members to participate. Voting will take place online and will conclude on 3 June. The LAUC Ad Hoc Website committee is completing a database of member demographics, which will be updated in future newsletters. They will be forwarded to UCOP for final approval.

To vote, please visit the LAUC website at www.lauc.ucop.edu. If you have any questions, please contact the LAUC Membership Committee at info@lauc.ucop.edu.

Revisions to the Strategic Development

Greet your LAUC member in the Library Workforce, the chair of the Library Workforce Forum, who will be featured in a future newsletter. The Forum is a group of librarians who meet to discuss issues affecting the Library Workforce at the University. The Forum has been meeting for several months now, and it has been a great success.

The LAUC Ad Hoc Website committee is releasing a new website for the LAUC Ad Hoc Website. This website will provide members with access to the latest news and information about LAUC. Please visit the website at www.lauc-adhoc.ucop.edu to learn more.

We hope you enjoy this newsletter and we look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Matt Conner
LAUC President