

**LAUC President's Report to Spring Assembly  
UC Riverside – Palm Desert Campus  
May 13, 2009**

**Today's Assembly**

In keeping with recent LAUC practice to focus on topical issues of interest to LAUC and the profession, today's Assembly's programmatic focus centers around the panoply of issues surrounding Next Generation Melvyl.

We funded six travel grants for newer LAUC members to attend the Spring Assembly:

Angela Boyd, UCSB  
Jeffra Bussman, UCI  
Anthony Lin, UCI  
Nina Meechoonuk, UCSF  
Teal Smith, UCM  
Yen Tran, UCSB

**LAUC Representatives Update**

Since the last Fall Assembly, SLASIAC (Systemwide Library and Scholarly Information Advisory Committee) has been revived and Barbara Schader (UCR) is the LAUC Representative for a 3-year term.

The Call for LAUC Representatives to Systemwide Advisory Groups was distributed on May 4 for two vacancies on the Library Technology Advisory Group (LTAG), a 2-year term; and the Systemwide Operating and Planning Advisory Group (SOPAG), a 3-year term.

Special thanks to Susan Chesley Perry (UCSC) and Mary Linn Bergstrom (UCSD) for their years of service to LAUC on these two important groups.

**UCOLASC Update**

The University Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication Committee had an in-person meeting at UCOP on February 23, to which I was presumably inadvertently not invited, and the group's first-ever conference call on May 1 with which I participated. The major topics were a discussion of next steps in support of open access and an overview and update on the Google settlement by Vice

Provost Dan Greenstein, Vice Provost, Strategic Academic Planning, Programs and Coordination.

## **UCOP Business**

Lucia Diamond and I met with Dan Greenstein and staff on March 9 to discuss LAUC oversight and the transition to zero-based budgeting beginning in November 2009 for the 2009/10 fiscal year. In addition, we will submit a budget projection for 2010/11.

On April 23, Lucia Diamond and I participated in a conference call with Dan Greenstein and Jan Corlett (Special Assistant to the Provost) to hear about their office's need to provide oversight for LAUC as a Systemwide Affiliate under the criteria outlined in a new document: "Administrative Guidelines for the Establishment and Operations of University of California Systemwide Affiliate Organizations. This is based on the Foreign Affiliate Guidelines (<http://www.ucop.edu/ucophome/coordrev/policy/PP081505guide-foreign-affiliates.pdf>).

The LAUC Executive Board will discuss next steps and timeline in providing an overview of LAUC's governance structure, budget sources, reporting cycle etc.

## **Continuing Concern about the UC Budget**

The LAUC Executive Board continues discussion of the UC budget and its effect at the libraries across the ten-campus System. We agree that a structured survey would now be practicable for the campus libraries to respond to. We will craft a survey for the LAUC Chairs to complete and for the Executive Board to compile before the Fall Assembly on December 3 at UC Berkeley.

The LAUC-LA Division is very concerned about the impact and the swift movement, without consultation with stakeholders, on the revisions to Standing Order 100.4 (pertaining to salary reductions and furloughs) at the May 7 meeting of the UC Regents. In response, the LAUC-LA Division discussed the issue at their LAUC membership meeting on May 7 and sent a memo to the Regents and President Yudof that reads: *LAUC-LA asks the Regents to postpone the decision to amend Standing Order 100.4 as proposed by UC President Mark Yudof until consultation has taken place with all appropriate advisory groups on all campuses, including the Librarians Association of the University of California.* Keri Botello, LAUC-LA Chair asked if this would be appropriate for the Spring Assembly and, by way of reply, I proposed that the LAUC Executive Board continue this

discussion and determine our course of action at our meeting tomorrow morning.

### **2009 Fall Assembly**

The 2009 Fall Assembly will be at UC Berkeley on December 3.

### **Thanks to UCR**

Special thanks to the UC Riverside planning committee for hosting the LAUC Spring Assembly and we look forward to a productive and informative day.