

# University Library Council (ULC)

Thursday, March 31, 2022

1 - 2 pm Online/Special Events Room, McKeldin

Attendees: John Bertot, Brian Butler [chair], Lindsay Inge Carpenter, Mark Demorra, James Farquhar, Sushanth Gupta, John Laub, Michele Lamprakos, Adriene Lim, Dan Mack, Patricia Ortega-Miranda, David Tomblin

Apologies: Progyan Basu

Guest: Kate Maloney, Director of Libraries' Strategic Communications and Outreach

## 1. Welcome and approval of February 23 meeting notes

Approval of notes will be at the next ULC meeting.

## 2. Dean's update

- The website redesign is an important strand of the Libraries' strategic plan
- Adriene was invited to, and attended, a meeting of the [American Educational Research Association](#) Council of Graduate Students. They discussed Open Science and community engagement.
- The NASEM [National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine] Community of Practice named HELIOS kickoff meeting took place on March 31 [following this meeting]. President Pines and Provost Rice support this UMD commitment.

## 3. Briefing and feedback on the Libraries Content Management System (CMS) migration and website redesign

With Kate Maloney, Director of Libraries' Strategic Communications and Outreach, and leader of the Libraries' website migration and redesign team.

See attached pdf of Kate's presentation. The [beta version](#) of the website was launched on Monday, March 28.

ULC members thanked Kate for her presentation and gave the following feedback:

- Where is the Journal Finder?
  - This is a frequently used tool and needs to be more prominent
- Discussion on terminology:
  - 'Finding Materials' - what is meant by this? Does it include digital materials. Would 'Find' be a better term?
  - Research Guides - does everyone know what these are? Each Research Guide includes subject librarian contact details; these are a great resource.
  - No Science and Technology Services Research Guide
  - ILL [inter-library loans] - the service may need more explanation
- Navigating to, and finding information on, DRUM
- Usability has been an important consideration from the beginning of the project.

ULC members are invited to share the beta site with colleagues, to [provide feedback](#), and to encourage colleagues/students to join the upcoming focus groups.

Adriene thanked Kate for her presentation and continued leadership on this project.

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