

University Library Council (ULC)

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

11 am - 12 noon

Attendees: Jason Baron, Sabrina Baron, Holly Brewer [Chair], Ira Chinoy, Philip Cohen, Shulamit Frenkel, Alexandra Kadis, Susan Kern, Kisa Lape, Adriene Lim, Dan Mack, Jordan Sly

1. Call to order

This is the final ULC meeting with Dean Lim.

Meeting notes from the April 11 ULC meeting were approved and have been added to [Box](#).

2. Introductions

Members of the council introduced themselves.

3. Update from Dean Lim

Dean Lim thanked Holly and other members of ULC for their support for the Libraries.

Planning is continuing for the Living Democracy Symposium to be held on October 10, 2024. A final, confirmed list of speakers and panelists is still forthcoming.

Campus administration is funding a Library Space Study. Campus Facilities Management are inviting bids to carry out the study. The Libraries have formed an internal sub-committee to provide local advice; it is hoped that ULC will also be invited to provide input.

Space use in McKeldin: planning for the space left vacant by Terrapin Tech two years ago still continues and a recent preliminary estimate of costs to create a flexible digital humanities area was significantly higher than expected. The project will be downsized in terms of lower costs but completion is not expected until at least fall 2024.

4. Formal vote on ULC endorsing a statement regarding authors' right to deposit for public access

ULC members unanimously recommended that the university endorse the [Right to Deposit Statement](#). Several ULC members indicated that they had signed the endorsement as individuals. It was also noted that Penn State has signed as an institution.

5. Updates from Associate Dean of Collections, Daniel Mack

Predatory journals: [see these resources to evaluate journals](#). Speak with your subject liaison or Dan if you have questions.

UMD Libraries: licenses and big deals

See Dan's presentation attached to these notes.

Includes Collections budget FY24 overview and major licenses and contracts.

Questions/comments:

- UMD Libraries do not have a big deal with Taylor and Francis
- Licenses for resources available in for example, public libraries, e.g. Ancestry.com? The UMD Libraries seldom duplicate resources that are available at public libraries.
- If you are unable to find e-book access, please contact your subject liaison.

6. New business

Holly closed the meeting by thanking Dean Lim for her service. Dean Lim asked ULC to continue to advocate for potential renovations to the Libraries.

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