

University of New Mexico  
**Faculty Senate Library Committee**  
October 5 2010  
Zimmerman, Willard Room (1:00 – 2:30 p.m.)

**Minutes**  
**(DRAFT)**

Attendees: Martha Bedard, Richard Brody, Bradley Cullen, Maya Elrick, Steven Harris, Sherri Thomas, Carolyn Woodward, Japji Hundal, Richard Carr

Absent: Richard Campbell, Devorah Kennedy, Rafael Medina-Flores, Anthony Melzer, Mark Parshall, Gregory Starr, Jack Trujillo, Maria Williams, Jennifer Griggs, Holly Shipp Buchanan, Carol Parker

Notetaker: Mercedes Nysus

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### **Welcome and Introductions**

- Introductions of the committee members who were present.

### **Announcements**

- Karla Crawford was acknowledged for doing a great job of rounding up committee members.
- A call for nominations for anyone interested in serving as chair elect.

➡ It was decided that the call for chair elect nominations will be revisited towards the middle of the academic year as Sherry may be interested in serving.

➡ Steve was nominated as chair elect.

- The Charge or Tasks for this academic year should include creating an institutional repository along with budget. The Task is to support and strongly encourage departments in submitting their publications for both professors and graduate students. Also, to Promote understanding of authorship rights. FSLC will encourage and endorse both faculty and students to do this.

➡ FSLC will draft a document to explain the benefits of creating an institutional repository at a future meeting.

➡ The decision was made to meet mid Nov to have another FSLC Mtg. geared towards budget summary and strategy.

➡ The creation of an institutional repository will be discussed at a late Jan 2011 Mtg. in order to generate a document which will go to the Faculty Senate.

➡ A meeting will be held in late February or early March 2011 to address issues that are currently of interest.

### **Budget Cuts - how they are being managed** (*handout provided*)

- Martha gave an overview of the budget in so far as it impacts the UL. The actual amounts of the budget cuts were discussed and the implications. Also, the upcoming Bond B and the chance that it may not pass and the results. It was stated that budget cuts to the libraries affect not only the libraries but the entire University.
- Acquisition cuts are an example of areas which will be directly impacted by budget cuts. Before the cuts begin the UL has started reviewing possible measures of action such as conducting analysis of databases and then red flagging those which are less used. Then perhaps sending those red flagged databases to the Departments for review.
- In summary, the UL is required to come up with an immediate plan for the 3.2 percent. We are working now to permanently eliminate the staff positions in order to have a salary savings. At the moment it looks like we can keep the fringes for the permanently deleted positions this year but are not sure if it will help us in the rebase next year.
- Questions and concerns were raised regarding how these cuts will affect those using the UL. Martha shared data from recent studies such as gate counts, laptop use, and document delivery services reflecting the uptick in UL use. It was mentioned that 3% of student fees goes to the UL, so student fees are under scrutiny right now.

➡ At the next meeting in November the merits of compiling a document to Faculty Senate regarding the impact of the budget cuts to the UL will be discussed. It will be debated if it should also go to all UNM faculty.

### **Report from HSLIC**

- Some positions that are going unfilled due to budgetary restrictions. HSLIC is also the IT department for the HSC campus. Roth boosted their resources budget and they have increased fees to students to \$250. They have also consolidated their journals section.

### **Report from Law**

- The Law Library is modeling various scenarios for revenue reductions and has developed plans for 8%, 10%, and 12% reductions, just in case. 8% will put us in a bare-bones position but we can protect the collection for the most part, by leaving vacant

an upcoming retiree's position, and by use of package buying plans to keep serial print costs stable and predictable. 10% would really hurt and would result in painful database cuts for sure; 12% would also likely mean cutting library hours and probably partial layoffs (reducing some positions to 0.5 or 0.75 fte, etc., unless through attrition some positions could be left vacant).

### **e-Scholarship Initiative** (*handout provided*)

- This is an initiative of all three libraries, UL, Law and HSLIC. The goal is to obtain input to see whether or not the faculty as a whole thinks this is an important issue for us to look at. We are currently looking at On Demand printing. Continuing to provide some innovation services. We are also piloting moving the print law journals into an electronic system as this would create a cost savings. It's a way for us to focus initiatives and perhaps some grant proposals could come out of it. Right now NSF requirement issues may be the driving force as they have strict requirements.

➡ Steve will email the document to FSLC and request feedback and will remind individuals to read and comment before he crafts a sentence on these impressions to send to Rich.

### **Minutes from April 2010**

- The minutes from April 2010 are approved.

*Meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.*