

## FACULTY SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2, 2014

Present: Yemane Asmerom, Patrick Kelly, Matthew Rangel, Carolyn Woodward, Inigo San Gil, Jennifer Laws, Vanessa Svihla, Richard Clement, Don Zancanella (Chair).

Guest: Charlie Cunningham, Council Chair of Research and Creative Works and Liaison with Faculty Senate.

The only agenda item for this meeting was a report from Dean Rick Clement. Items addressed included the following:

1. Dean Clement said his overall philosophy is to “respect the digital and embrace the past.” He has taught courses on the history of the book but also feels the future is largely digital, because digital sources allow greater access.
2. The budget for this year is 15.6 million from I&G. This amount has not increased for a long time. Occasionally additional monies are provided by the provost. This November, General Obligation Bonds will be voted on. Bond B is for libraries (of all kinds). If the bond is passed, UNM will receive approximately \$800,000 over two years. The amount being request from student fees is \$900,000 in continuing funding with an additional \$250,000 in one-time money. 55% of the total budget goes to salaries; 37% for the collection; 8% for operations.
3. Space for the constantly growing collection is a problem because UNM does not possess a quality storage facility. Another problem is the deteriorating condition of Centennial Library.
4. Current initiatives include the Learning Commons (opening in January 2015) and the Research Data Management initiative. The library has just joined the Digital Preservation Network which allows higher education institutions to collectively preserve the scholarly record. This is in response to the federal Office of Science and Technology memo which focused on the connecting of repositories.
5. UNM has joined the Hathi Trust, through which the collections of a large number of institutions are being made digitally available to all member institutions. Dean Clement provided some examples to the Committee of the resources available through the Hathi Trust.

Discussion from Committee members focused on the mission/role of the Library; the price of journals; and the possibility of securing external funding to support library activities.