

Committee: Libraries Committee

Meeting Date: August 18, 2020 (Organizational Meeting)

Person Presiding: Purificacion Martinez

Regular Members in attendance: Buzzelli, Haller, DiMartino, Harmon, Lee, Shields, Pokhrel, Toderick, Tatterson

Ex-officio members in attendance: Ketterman, Lewis

Others in attendance: Baker, Chen (Rep. of Faculty Senate), Goldberg (Rep. Of Student Body)

Actions of Meeting

Election of Officers: Tom Shields elected chair, Chris Buzzelli elected vice-chair, Rebecca Tatterson elected secretary

Buzzelli will serve as representative to the Open Access Publishing Fund Committee, Lee will serve as representative to the Scholarly Communications Committee, Harmon will serve as representative to the Special Collections Committee

Discussion

Beth Ketterman (Laupus Health Sciences Library)

- Thanks to committee members for their service
- Recently awarded \$75,000 from the State library of North Carolina, Joseph Lee partner, for a project to load laptops with high quality COVID-19 information to distribute to the school-aged children of migrant workers in Eastern North Carolina.
- Optimistic about proposal for an award from the Institute of Museum and Library Services that will allow County Doctors Museum to have a broader educational reach and to use virtual tools to teach about rural doctors.
- Laupus Library reopened on March 5th. Maintaining a high-level compliance with regards to mask wearing and limiting one person per study room occupancy.

Jan Lewis (Academic Library Services)

- Thanks to committee members for their service
- Pending grant with IMLS for \$500,000 for promoting open scholarship. Should know more in September.
- Reopened August 10th. Average gate count has been around 1,800
- Termination of Elsevier Big Deal. After reviewing license language and citing budgetary and COVID-19 as impacting factors a letter was drafted and submitted to Provost Hayes and Vice Chancellor Stacy for signatures and submitted to Elsevier. Interim Vice-Chancellor Michelson was copied on the letter.

- Elsevier is sending information about pricing for individual titles and subject collections, Clinical Key subscription continue and provide some title coverage, no deadline set yet for setting up future subscriptions.
- Elsevier largest and most costly of Big Deals and contains coverage of the sciences and other disciplines.
- Shields asked about single subscriptions. Jan not certain of number yet and said a price list is needed. Working on determining how much will go to subscriptions and things like virtual lab, streaming media, and other unmet needs.
- Other options are currently being looked at Interlibrary Loan, unmediated access options for faculty and graduate students.
- Faculty Chair Martinez alerted the committee that the Senate Officers have asked Interim Chancellor Mitchelson to discuss “Big Deals” at the Sept. 1 Senate meeting. Ketterman and Lewis will have speaking rights at that meeting.

Next Meeting: September 16, 2020

Items to be Discussed: ECU Budget’s Impact on Big Deal Journal Subscriptions, Faculty Feedback Survey on Elsevier Journals

Meeting adjourned at 4:07 PM

Submitted by Rebecca Tatterson, Committee Secretary