

Council on Libraries Meeting Minutes 02-12-2015

Present: Mark Borsuk, Barbara DeFelice, Bill Fischel, Brett Gamboa, Yi He, Jeff Horrell, Eliz Kirk, Jim LaBelle (Chair), Mark McPeck, Jennifer Taxman, Andrew Vacca, Ellen Waite-Franzen

The minutes from the January 15 meeting were approved.

There was extensive discussion of the updated version of the Open Access Resolution, which emerged from the meeting with a subcommittee of the Committee on Faculty and a subset of the Council on the Libraries. The wording contains some redundant language, but seems satisfactorily tuned to address faculty concerns that were raised. A motion was made and seconded to approve the resolution, but after extensive discussion and question and answer, it was decided to table the motion until the next meeting. This would allow members present the resolution to their faculties for consideration.

Jennifer Taxman presented an update on the ongoing culling of the collection and use of off-site storage space to accommodate the significant rate of incoming material. It was suggested that we might hold a future meeting at the Dartmouth Library Depository located at Etna Road.

Jennifer Taxman also presented a review of library spaces and the hours those spaces are available, including quantitative comparisons with peer institutions. Extensive discussion, questions and answer ensued. The library will be making efforts to extend the hours of some of the spaces. Cost is a factor when considering extending hours. A pilot of opening the Baker-Berry complex earlier on weekends is planned for Spring term.

There was a brief discussion at the end of the meeting of topics which might be appropriate for future meetings.