

COUNCIL ON THE LIBRARIES

Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2017

Present: Biron, Dietrich, Luxon, McCabe, Mehrer, Norwitz, Parker, Thomson

Guests: Sagraves, Taxman

The meeting was called to order at 11:45am.

1. The minutes of the April meeting were approved unanimously.

Sue Mehrer, Barbara Sagraves, and Jennifer Taxman presented the Library's Strategic Initiatives for FY18. These initiatives include:

- a review of the physical collections of the Library as part of the Baker Berry Library De-accession Project,
- a new feasibility study that will consider combining the point of service for Circulation and Course Reserves as the need for physical course reserves continues to shrink,
- planning for the relocation of the collection and staff of the Feldberg Library during its two-year renovation.
- The Library will be introducing an institutional repository solution to provide access, management, and preservation for digital scholarly content created by members of the Dartmouth community.
- The Library will continue to develop and embed its Research Data Management program along several fronts, building on the work to date of the Research Data Services interest group.
- The Library will explore, develop, and pilot a program that offers library student employees an opportunity to work as teaching assistants.
- The Library will initiate a project to assess the Library's role for supporting student scholarship in culminating experiences and senior honors theses more consistently across academic departments and disciplines.
- As Digital Humanities becomes more prominent at Dartmouth, the Library will pilot a program of educating Librarians so that they can provide better support for digital humanities scholarship and pedagogy.
- The Library is currently in the midst of a comprehensive website redesign that is focused on improving the overall user experience, as well as the discoverability of and access to Library resources.

2. Sue Mehrer presented the FY18 Library Budget, which remained relatively stable in comparison with FY17. The Council seemed pleased to see the budget for collection increase, albeit modestly.
3. There was not any additional business.
4. The Council was reminded that this was the final meeting of the academic year.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35pm.