

Council on the Libraries Annual Report 2011-2012

Meetings

The Council on the Libraries met six times during the academic year. Meetings took place on October 18, 2011, November 22, 2011, January 17, 2012, February 21, 2012, April 17, 2012, May 15, 2012.

Members

Faculty

Sharon E. Bickel, Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, and Molecular and Cellular Biology Graduate Program; Chair, Council on the Libraries 2011-2012

Vladimir Chernov, Associate Professor of Mathematics

Richard D'Aveni, Professor of Strategic Management, Tuck School of Business

James Dorsey, Associate Professor of Asian and Middle Eastern Languages and Literatures (Japanese)

Andrew Gettinger, MD, Chief Medical Information Officer, Dartmouth-Hitchcock, Associate Dean, Clinical Informatics, Dartmouth Medical School

Robert Graves, Krehbiel Professor, Thayer School of Engineering

Matissa Hollister, Assistant Professor of Sociology

Douglas A. Irwin, Professor of Economics, Robert E. Maxwell '23 Professorship of Arts & Sciences

Klaus Mladek, Assistant Professor of German Studies

Undergraduate Student Representatives

Jonathan Erdman '12

Juan Sanchez '13

Graduate Student Representative

Vacant

Ex Officio Members

Carol Folt, Provost; and The Dartmouth Professor of Biological Sciences

Jeffrey Horrell, Dean of Libraries and Librarian of the College

Ellen Waite-Franzen, Vice President of Information Technology/CIO

Inge-Lise Ameer, Associate Dean of the College for Student Support Services

Invited Guests

Elizabeth Kirk, Associate Librarian for Information Resources

Cynthia Pawlek, Deputy Librarian and Associate Librarian for User Services

David Seaman, Associate Librarian for Information Management

Support Staff

Julie Blain, Assistant to the Dean of Libraries (until March, 2012)

Activities

This report offers a brief overview of the Council's activities. For detailed minutes of the meetings, see < <http://www.dartmouth.edu/~library/col/1112/index.html>>

The Council's October meeting set the agenda for the year and agreed on meeting dates. The subjects addressed at the meeting including the following topics:

Open Access Publishing

Open Access (OA) Publishing was major topic of discussion by the Council at different meetings throughout the year. Library staff provided detailed information about the diversity of OA options that are available and helped to educate the Council about how different types of OA vary, including author retention of copyright. The Council discussed how different disciplines utilize and recognize OA in their work and the impact of OA publication on scholarship at Dartmouth. Ultimately, there was wide agreement that OA provides an extremely valuable mechanism to broadly disseminate the scholarly and scientific contributions of Dartmouth faculty. In addition, the Council learned about and discussed the "Berlin Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge in the Sciences and Humanities" and subsequently voted to recommend to Provost Folt that Dartmouth add its signature to the growing number of universities that support this initiative. A detailed memo summarizing the committee's discussion of the Berlin Declaration was sent to Provost Folt. During the year, the Declaration was discussed by other groups on campus, including the Academic Planning Committee, and in the spring, Dartmouth became a cosigner of the Declaration.

Integrated Faculty Support

The committee learned about coordinated efforts to better integrate the numerous Library and Computing services provided to Faculty. Council members provided extensive feedback about the planned web portal and its organization and content.

Strategic Planning- Digital Dartmouth Focus Group

As part of Dartmouth's Strategic Planning Initiative, members of the Digital Dartmouth Working Group facilitated a lively Focus Group Discussion that solicited input from the Council on digital resources and initiatives. A summary of this discussion is available at

< <http://www.dartmouth.edu/~library/col/1112/index.html> >

Digital Publishing at Dartmouth

During the year, the Council learned about different scholarly digital publishing enterprises that are ongoing at Dartmouth. These include the digital journals *Linguistic Discovery* and *The Journal of e-Media Studies*, a collaboration with University Press of New England to publish an online version of William C. Scott's "The Artistry of the Homeric Simile" as well a collaboration between Peter Carini (College Archivist), Ivy Schweitzer (Professor of English and Women's and Gender Studies), and multiple undergraduate interns to build a digital repository of manuscripts that documents and annotates Samson Occom's education and relationships.

Space Issues

The Council learned about the storage limitations and challenges facing the Library and was presented with possible solutions to alleviate existing and future problems. The Council voted in favor of using available space at 56 Etna Rd in Lebanon (where Records Management currently resides) to house library volumes. Major advantages of this option include its close physical proximity to campus, the use of existing courier services and the opportunity for expansion in the future. In addition, the Council was presented with preliminary architect plans for a new building on the north end of campus that will house Dana (Biomedical) Library as well as the Sociology and Anthropology departments, the Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy and Clinical

Practice, The Dartmouth Center for Health Care Delivery Science and a café/gathering space. Plans for keeping Dana library activities fully functional during demolition/construction were discussed including the temporary public service location at 37 Dewey Field Road and the collections being relocated to 56 Etna Road. The latter will be accessible via the Library's courier service for physical items and electronically for journal articles via the Library's document delivery service.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon E. Bickel
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Chair of the Council, 2011-2012