

Section I

Name of Committee: Library Liaison Committee

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Membership Roster:

Lauren Savaglio (new member)
Trevor Reed
Konstantinos Tsakalis
Lindsay Smith
Vikas Garg (unable to attend)

Ex officio members:

Jim O'Donnell
Dan Stanton

Overview Narrative:

The following summarizes committee work accomplished throughout this past year:

The LLC committee this academic year took on the recommendations made to the senate last year (2022-23) by the committee. These include 1. Staffing, 2. Information Resources 3. Open Science and the possible ways in which to address the libraries constraints. As we stated last year, our hope was the Provost would engage with the library to make a plan for elevating our ambitions. As such, we planned for a presentation to the Senate by Jim O'Donnell reporting on the state of the library. The presentation opened dialogue and possible opportunities for the Provost Office to further support the library as well as faculty and other Senate committees interested in supporting the future of ASU's library.

Section II

Request for Consultations and/or topics reviewed by the committee and outcomes (topics reviewed by the committee decided not to act/review should be listed here with, no action taken): Topics reviewed include the Current State of the Library, Open Science and Open Access, ASU's Archives, as well as new libraries including the McCain library, Fashion Library in Los Angeles, California and the forthcoming medical library. Much conversation was had regarding hiring, monies, growth, and impact. In addition, it was concluded that the urgent matter at hand was the need for further investment to the library in relation to its growth and resources.

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Section III

Request for Consultations and/or topics that were not started or remain unfinished and need to be carried over to the next academic year.

The only unfinished business is to request that the Provost meet with members of the LLC to further discuss ways in which the library can be further supported. In addition, we would like to meet with other Committee Chairs with Jim O'Donnell to discuss ways in which the committees intersect with the library. The hope is that deeper dialogue will result in greater support and solutions.

Section IV

Recommendations to the Senate or Final Comments

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When looking to the future of the library, the Library Budget continues to be the main issue facing the present state of the library. It is the principal reason for ongoing conversations with the Provost Office. Despite support, the main issues facing the library continue to be 1. Staffing, 2. Open Access and Open Science 3. The Information Resources budget and 4. Student needs.

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