

Minutes for UCL Meeting November 17, 2023

Members					
<i>Codes:</i> (P) Present	(A) Absent	(R) Regrets	(TL) Chair/Leader	(REC) Secretary	
Neil Romansky	P	Weiming Li	P	Joshua Sanchez	A
Jackie Iseler (Chair)	P	Sydney Longsdon	P	Mary Schueller	A
Sabrina Curley (Secretary)	P	Sid Mane	P	Ryan Shaw	A
Janine Certo	A	William McCarthy	A	Jacob White	P
Shiyong Ding	A	Terri Miller	A	Lynn Wolff	A
Tina Fawaz	P	Todd Moyerbrailean	A		
Lisa Fine	P	Jeffery Nanzer	A		
Timothy Innes	P	Kathleen Oberst	A		
Susan Kendall	P	Annette O'Connor	A		
Yasumasa Komori	P	Isaac Record	P		

(13 members total on Teams)

Meeting called to order – Jackie Iseler 11:01 am

Approval of Agenda:	Moved: Susan	Seconded: Sabrina	In Favor: All	Opposed: None	Abstain: None
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1. Dean Update: 10 minutes

Neil: Thanks to those attending the faculty author reception in the main library. 25th time of holding this event. Will work to have committee members.

- Nov 2nd had the donor and friends open house at main library. Evening event for donors to hear updates on work in the libraries and ideas for the future.
- Signed 2-year renewal for hosting folio (library system – discovery). Folio is an open–source integrated library system – a backbone of both internal and external facing operations. Will soon have library of congress coming online with Folio as well. Have several developer positions in the library that are responsible for contributing to Folio. While difficult in some parts, it is worth it in terms of building community and aligning with land grant mission of university.
- Signed on as partner of MI digital preservation network. Lending expertise in digital preservation to the state and district capital library. More updates to come in the next meeting.
- Facilities: Starbucks has new planned opening of January 8th, maybe soft opening before.
- Main library closing the 4th floor east on Nov 27 until after spring break. The HVAC system on that floor is being replaced. Work is so extensive cannot safely have public in that space. Books and resources housed there are still available for request and pickup during this time.
- 2nd floor west: new center for teaching innovation faculty staff development, Nov 20th opening date. Still have some painting, locks, technology consideration to wrap up before opening. Portions of the space will be open to students as well.

Jackie: Idea of Starbucks having a countdown on the library webpage.

Neil hesitant to restart that clock. Starbucks endeavor is partnered with student life and wellness.

2. Collections Strategies Current State: Susan Kendall 20 minutes

- Open access support strategy, accompanied by PowerPoint presentation). Issues with Teams platform for sharing (zoom is better). Collections Strategy for Open Access Support. Purchasing and maintenance of collections focused on current curriculum, research, practice. Guided by diversity equity, and inclusion. Cooperate with other libraries, steward MSU's financial resources for best value. Principled pragmatism. Summary of open access – “free immediate online availability of research articles coupled with rights to use these articles fully in the digital environment.” Three-pronged strategy: open access in research/publication, open access in educational resources/textbooks, open data. Big 10 academic alliance also has an open scholarship strategy. Several key things: open knowledge ecosystem that is scalable. Open data and understanding scholarly monographs, journal marketplace, etc. MSU is part of this, invested in this project. Open access also supports MSU strategic plan. Have more downloads and citations compared to paywalled research. Increasingly required by research funders for receiving grants. Access to those not part of a well-funded institution. Practice and policy impact requires people not in academia to read papers and have this research have an impact on community projects. Allows students to use publications without extra cost associated. Includes students that have graduated and no longer have access to library resources. Subscribe to open scheme – opening journals and ebooks for everyone in world through library payment. Participate in grants for opening books. read and publish agreements to have MSU corresponding authors – covering the open access costs.
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- MSU library open access support. Have list of publishers MSU has deals with listed on webpage <https://lib.msu.edu/about/collection/scholcomm/support>
- Deals get more open access publishing as opposed to just an open pot of money available to spend.
- Costs range from \$0 to \$145,000 per year depending on how much publishing MSU authors do with a given publisher.

Sabrina: Can you explain more about CC-BY?

Susan: CC stands for creative commons – organization developed license. Several licenses are available. If publishing, one can put one of these licenses on paper. Dictates what you allow others to do with work. Cc by most open. Anyone can read, use, and/or do whatever with the work as long as proper

citation is provided. This is most in the spirit of open access. Other licenses more restrictive, e.g. no derivatives, no commercial use. Can sound attractive, but publishers are using this where they come back with a license to publish for authors to sign. Some of these take away author rights. Sometimes can only read fine print after signing. Very sneaky, slightly disturbing. Would like to fight against this and the best way to counteract is by using a CC-BY license.

Isaac: Curious about direction of supporting open access for book manuscripts.

Susan: So far the other schemes have worked for books (membership/grant support, subscription) Backlist – where main money has been made on books, so books several years old are now opened. Some university presses struggling to continue. This is doable for some applications. The cost for publishing book can be around \$30,000 often beyond a single individual. Various schemes are being used to make book publishing more sustainable. More needs to be tackled on for opening books as a whole vs individual person publishing a journal article.

Neil: Added that can add Elizabeth Demers on the MSU press to speak about this in terms of open access as well as broader issues to address.

Neil: This committee was instrumental in bringing a resolution to the university council to encourage accessible scholarship in 2021-2022.

Susan: The key people from that resolution are no longer in committee for 2023-2024. Subcommittee members other than Susan no longer on committee

Jackline: Was on the committee at that time but not the subcommittee specifically. Watching who is paying, looking at equity and how it would be rolled out. Shared with college of nursing. Use librarian to vet out what is actually open access, what is predatory, etc. to address concerns. Reaching out to library for assistance in navigating these areas.

Susan: Have growing journal that are open access where can publish no cost to individual (\$0).

Neil: Putting together a direction to support staff, faculty, and students. Will take a collective effort to build this out in sustainable way. Specifically in federal funding agencies about making publicly funded research accessible to public – both the research write-up and the data itself. Set university commitment for this to advocate for resources and show commitment to other organizations.

Susan: Encouragement by itself is not strong enough. Encouragement at the time was what was through could pass.

Neil: Clarification. This encouragement is still good and important. Want to understand more about how to build on this going forward. In this group and within the library itself.

Jackie: college of nursing still very old school. Still looking at impact journals mostly

Susan: some areas not as well covered by agreements. Nursing is not as well covered by these agreements.

Isaac: published article last year open access. Cowritten with another with grant. Paid half, Lyman Briggs paid other half. Some other places for support around campus for money to support open access fees.

They are not always open for everyone. Teaching specialist does not qualify. More complications to navigate to find these funds for helping with open access.

Susan: have had faculty find out after the fact, but can look at the list in the future, can impact where they publish in the future. Other grants are nice, but agreements use money the best between libraries and publishers.

This committee is a group across the university and welcomes discussion about the topic. Some people have turned down open access though it is prepaid. Sometimes it's not the tradition in the field to pay for publishing. Interesting things to continue discussing.

Neil: People in IT equally invested in open data not only open access publishing. Can send Neil, Susan, or librarian liaison any comments and feedback.

Susan: Feedback has been overwhelming positive from faculty and grad students about open access at MSU libraries.

3. Round Robin:

Isaac: shoutout to Chana Friedberg, subject librarian in Lyman Briggs. Has done an amazing job in showing resources available to first year students.

Sydney: Information to relay to the academic governance committee. Why was the library chosen to have the teaching and learning center?

Neil: Under previous dean tenure, this came into the library organization. Portfolio was there to help the merge. Things have separated but the space plans were still in the works. Still have synergy and will still have some regions open for students when the suite is not actively being used for that center.

Jackeline: Meet Neil in person while out on campus. Seeing people in real world not just online!

Motion to adjourn:	Time: 11:53	Moved: Isaac	Second: Neil	In Favor: All	Opposed: None	Abstain: None
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