Council on Research Computing and Libraries (CORCL) LAUC-I Academic Senate Representative John Renaud 2015-2016 Report

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Council/Committee Name (acronym): CORCL

Council/Committee Charge:

Consider issues pertaining to fostering research.

- 1) Advise the Chancellor and represent the Division on matters relating to research policy and administration and academic resources, including information technology, telecommunications, and library policies and administration on the Irvine campus.
- 2) Administer general campus funds for faculty research and review and evaluate University-recognized research programs and units.
- 3) Advise the Vice Chancellor for Research on campus nominees or applicants for research awards from foundations and other granting agencies which restrict the number of proposals submitted.
- 4) Represent the Division on the University Committee on Research Policy, the University Committee on Library & Scholarly Communication, and the University Committee on Computing & Communications.
- 5) A designated library representative shall be responsible for maintaining Council liaison with the University Librarian, and with any library committees that may exist in any of the Faculties.

Link to Council/Committee Website: http://senate.uci.edu/committees/councils/council-on-research-computing-and-libraries-corcl/

Frequency of Meetings: Monthly

Major Activities:

This year, there was intensive conversation about how research is funded at UC Irvine in comparison to other UC's, and UC Irvine success and room for growth in the area of winning grants. This Group also reviewed the Campus's Research Cyber-Infrastructure plan and heard confidential updates on the challenges and potential solutions to the many issues surrounding the security of data and electronic records of many kinds.

The Libraries gave updates, including notes on the Google Digitization Project, the Mellon-funded Pay-It-Forward Grant, the Libraries' decision to support the Luminos Open Access Publishing for Monographs project, The UC OA Policy's achievements, and other matters, including the Libraries' Strategic Plan and the Libraries' intention to pursue and RFP for a new Library Management System and Discovery layer.

Issues of Concern to the Libraries:

This Group is very aware of the cost of Libraries resources and support and are in general a good sounding board for Libraries. Representatives group sit on UC-wide Academic Senate committees, so bring to the conversation a system-wide perspective. As always, in the areas of scholarly communication, intellectual property, and cyberinfrastructure, nuance is very important.

Recommendations for New Reps/New Year:

A good goal is to solicit input so that the Libraries can share some positive or at least important item at each meeting. Even if the Libraries are not presenting on a major agenda item, during the section of the meetings called "reports" it is possible to share these updates – The faculty members on this Council will ask good questions, and are a good resource to make sure news of what we are doing is accurately shared. Where the Libraries are concerned, the focus of this group is of course the interaction with research, but it is important to broaden that perspective to include not just the collections but the many other forms of support that the Libraries can offer in this area.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Renaud