LAUC Committee on Professional Governance LAUC-I Standing Committee 2016-2017 Final Report

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General Charge

For 2016-17, the Committee is charged with fulfilling its standing charge, Article VIII. Section 1.e.1 (approved by UCOP March 23, 2009):

- a. Advise the President and the Executive Board on issues that affect librarians, peer review, and other professional governance issues.
- b. Serve as a review body for Divisions who may request evaluation of local peer review procedures.
- c. Serve as a Bylaws review committee for proposed changes to the LAUC Bylaws and Standing Rules. Be available to review the Divisions' Bylaws for consistency with the LAUC Bylaws and Standing Rules, and to consult with Divisions on request.
- d. Address other subjects at the request of the President and consider and develop recommendations on matters of librarian professional governance.

Specific Charges for 2016-17

1. Investigate the two or more Bylaws changes that have elicited substantial comment or concern in the past 50 years and provide editorial pieces to be published on the LAUC blog and website of not more than 500 words per article. The articles are the responsibility of the committee, but do not have to be written by its members. The committee is encouraged to seek out both past and present LAUC members for their views and/or authorship.

Summary of Activities:

As of April 5, 2017, the LAUC Committee on Professional Governance (CPG) has held one conference call and conducted extensive exchanges of ideas and information via email with both committee members and other LAUC members to successfully complete the committee's general charge and specific charge for 2016-2017.

The Committee discussed various Bylaws changes (or proposed Bylaws changes) and ultimately selected to write editorial pieces on Article II. Duties and Responsibilities, Article III. Membership, and Article VIII. Section 1.f.3. Committee on Diversity. Advice from former LAUC Executive Board members was solicited regarding the most recent issues regarding the membership of LAUC as well as the origins and history of the Committee on Diversity. Information and background materials were collected to be used as source materials for brief editorial pieces which will be included in the body of work celebrating the 50th anniversary of LAUC at this year's LAUC Assembly.

In late 2016, CPG was charged with collecting feedback and comments from the membership on Draft Position Papers No.2 and No.4 and submitted the feedback to the Position Papers Rewrite Task Force. Substantial feedback from the membership was delivered to the chair of the Position Paper Rewrite Task Force.

In April 2017 CPG reviewed changes to the LAUC-D bylaws and provide feedback and any recommendations on member Elaine Franco (Davis) edits to "LAUC Bylaws – Article III – Membership and the future of librarianship at the University of California", which addressed definition of LAUC librarian membership. An additional charge from LAUC Executive Board was a 2016-17 Preliminary Status Report on Specific Charges for 2016-2017, which included the committee's initial review of the bylaws and our discussion on what ones have been the most interesting and of concern to our members in the past fifty years. An editorial for updates to the charge for LAUC Committee on Diversity Recruitment and Retention was submitted to the LAUC executive Board for review.

Recommendations for the Future:

Drafts for Position papers No.2 and No.4 were accepted by the Position Papers Rewrite Task Force. Additional editorials from LAUC members on topics of professional identify and intercampus collaborations are topics for further exploration.