General Membership Meeting 11/30/2020

LAUC-I General Membership Meeting Agenda & Minutes

30 Nov 2020 12:00pm – 1:30pm

Location: https://uci.zoom.us/j/4027209385

Attendees: Nicole Arnold; Amy Atchison; Ellen Augustiniak; Jolene Beiser; Melissa Beuoy; Michell Brown; Tatiana Bryant; Annette Buckley; Nicole Carpenter; Richard Cho; Carrie Cullen; Wasila Dahdul; Madelynn Dickerson; Jenna Dufour; Sara Heimann; Josh Hutchinson; Becky Imamoto; Danielle Kane; Kathryn Kjaer; Shu Liu; Jimmy Pak; Alison Regan; John Renaud; Kevin Ruminson; John Sisson; Krystal Tribbett; Christina Tsou; Thuy Vo Dang; Sarah Wallbank; Audra Yun

- 1. [1 min] Opening statement by chair: Madelynn Dickerson, LAUC-I Chair
 - Thanks to Annette (Past Chair) for holding things together while Madelynn was out on leave.
 - Thanks to Sara (Secretary) for scheduling meetings and sharing links.
- 2. [2 min] Announcements
 - Welcome new librarians:
 - o Melissa Beuoy, Research Librarian for Interdisciplinary Studies
 - Wasila Dahdul, Data Curation Librarian
 - Tatiana Bryant, Research Librarian for Digital Humanities, History, and African American Studies
- 3. [2 min] Approve General Membership, 06/11/2020 Meeting Minutes
 - Motion by Audra Yun; Seconded by Nicole Arnold.
 - Minutes are approved.
- 4. [5 min] Budget/HR Update: Kevin Ruminson, Admin AUL
 - Budget:
 - We are at the beginning of the budget cycle for 20/21.
 - The Regents have approved budget request; the next key point is the Governor's release of the budget in January and revised in May.
 - Libraries find out budget in July/August.
 - Anticipate a challenging year, but UCI is well positioned to handle challenges.
 - UC announced curtailment and savings targets for all campuses.
 - UCI is not planning to implement a curtailment program at this time; plan to achieve savings through other means.
 - Will have a longer holiday break, use more vacation days to cover.
 - HR:
 - Have welcomed several new librarians.
 - Trying to reinvent the onboarding process for virtual environment.
 - No current librarian searches.
 - Continue to need to seek approval for staff positions from campus review committee.
 - Librarian positions proposed have been successful.
 - Don't know if approval will become a permanent part of recruitment process post-COVID-19.
- 5. [5 min] Leadership Council Update: Kevin Ruminson, Admin AUL
 - Ongoing planning related to COVID-19 and reopening plans; how to scale back reopening plans with move to Purple Tier.
 - How to engage with campus and community during closure: efforts have been successful.
 - How Libraries can participate in UCI Black Thriving Initiative and other diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives; met with Diversity Team.
 - Conversations around LL lobby, Ask Us Desk, and New Books Lobby; changes for when we reopen.
 - GML and SL renovations.
 - TEBI call received limited requests, mostly in support of COVID-19
 - Strategic Goals have been posted; LAUC-I Executive Board can contribute to overall library goals.
- 6. [5 min] Law Library update: Amy Atchison, Deputy Director
 - Access policy will remain the same for Spring Semester: closed with 2 staff members on site.
 - Study space available for 15 pre-approved law students.
 - Law Library now using Microsoft Teams for meetings/chats; 100% adoption and participation; positive response - more collaborative and informed.

- 7. [5 min] Committee Updates:
 - LRC update Jharina Pascual, Committee Chair
 - Chair not present.
 - Becky: LRC hasn't done anything yet.
 - RPDC update Sarah Wallbank, Committee Chair
 - First round: UCI submitted 1 research grant application; decision announced at the end of January.
 - Second round: call at the end of January for mini-grants and presentation grants.
 - Tasked with 2-year project for determining how to showcase librarian accomplishments.
 - PC update Jenna Dufour, Committee Chair
 - Mission/vision: Less is more
 - Mindful of too much screen time and Zoom fatigue.
 - Themes: anti-racism workshop focused on skill building and communication tools, lectures and guest talks, fun and informal programming opportunities.
 - December 15th Global Librarianship at UCI: The Korea Foundation Internship & Presentation by 2020 Intern Guhee Kim (reminder to be sent).
 - Huntington Library virtual lectures shared in October; 2 of 3 lectures were recorded, Jenna will circulate links.
- 8. [2 min] Academic Senate Reports:
 - Because this meeting is early in the academic year, LAUC-I representatives to Academic Senate need not report anything, unless they have pressing updates.
 - CORCL (Council on Research Computing and Libraries) Nicole Carpenter
 - Research is still in Phase 2.
 - Discussion about online degree programs; if you have any strong opinions share with Nicole; nothing has been decided yet.
 - SCOC (Subcommittee on Courses & Continuing, Part-Time, & Summer Session Education) Jolene Beiser
 - Met 2 times; no major changes.
 - Created ad hoc committee to discuss possible changes in online course approval.
 - Will be sending out spreadsheet to liaison librarians of courses that have been modified.
 - GC (Graduate Council) Danielle Kane
 - Met once.
 - CEI (Council on Equity and Inclusion) Thuy Vo Dang
 - Nothing to report.
 - CPB (Council on Planning and Budget) Kevin Ruminson
 - Met a few times; nothing particularly impactful to report.
 - CHPB (Campuswide Honors Program Board) Richard Cho
 - Nothing to report.
 - BUSHFA (Board of Undergraduate Scholarship, Honors & Financial Aids) Nicole Arnold
 - Nothing to report.
 - CUARS (Council on Undergraduate Admissions & Relations with Schools) Krystal Tribbett
 - Met but nothing to report.
- 9. [5 min] LAUC-I elections and updated by-laws, Annette Buckley, LAUC-I Past Chair
 - Updated Bylaws document is complete; PDF to be posted on LAUC-I website once technical issue is resolved; shared link in chat for the meantime.
 - LAUC-I 2021 Elections positions to fill.
 - Encourage new librarians and early- to mid-career librarians to participate.
 - Low stakes way to get content on factual resume for your review.
 - Self nominate for position by contacting Annette, or call will go out to solicit nominations.
 - Election will be held in early June.
- 10. [10 min] CoUL Letter- COVID impact on peer review, Madelynn Dickerson
 - COVID-19 Closures at UC and the Impact on Peer Review (PDF)
 - CoUL LAUC Impact from COVID 19 On Performance Reviews 10_15_2020 (PDF)
 - LAUC-I asked to share letters with membership.
 - Letter drafted by LAUC statewide to Council of University Librarians CoUL, initiated by CPG, regarding COVID-19 impact on review process.
 - Unanimous agreement from CoUL that all review initiators and ULs will consider and acknowledge impact.

• Takeaway is one of confidence that there has been a sincere acknowledgement of the circumstances.

Meeting adjourned: 12:37pm