

LAUC-Irvine Chair's Annual Report 2022-2023

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The 2022-2023 year was the first year since the start of the pandemic where the campus remained open all year. We successfully held three hybrid general membership meetings and one in-person event, and many Academic Senate committees resumed in-person meetings as well. There was a bit of a shuffle among LAUC-I leadership due to various personnel changes: Hector Perez-Gilbe (elected Member at Large) replaced Vice Chair/Chair Elect Derek Quezada in a pro-tem role after January, and Mitchell Brown served the rest of the Member at Large role. Several committees also saw changes in membership as well: Jharina Pascual stepped into the role of Program Committee chair when Laura Fouladi left UCI, and Sarah Wallbank was appointed to the Library Review Committee for a one-year term when Matt Flyntz left UCI.

1. Office/LAUC-I Executive Board Members:

Chair: Stacy Brinkman

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Derek Quezada (through January 2023), Hector Perez-Gilbe (pro tem, January 2023+)

Secretary: Nicole Carpenter

Immediate Past-Chair: vacant

Member-at-Large: Hector Perez-Gilbe (through January 2023), Mitchell Brown (January 2023+)

Standing Committee Chairs: Becky Imamoto (LRC), Laura Fouladi through March 2023; Jharina Pascual, March 2023+ (PC), Sara Heimann (PDC)

2. Standing Charge:

- a. Represent LAUC-I in its communications with the University Librarian and library administration, and the campus administration and community.
- b. Determine the will of the membership and act in accordance with that will.
- c. Expedite LAUC-I business in a manner consistent with the best interests of the membership.
- d. Bring to the attention of the membership and the Executive Board any matters which require a LAUC-I response or which may be of concern to LAUC-I.
- e. Report to the membership regularly.
- f. Preside over meetings of the membership and of the Executive Board.
- g. Create ad hoc committees upon the advice and consent of the Executive Board.

- h. Participate in a non-voting capacity in the deliberations of any committee, except the Library Review Committee, the Nominating- Elections Committee or other committees as may be specified. Any committee may invite the Chair to attend any of its meetings.
- i. Provide annual charges to the LAUC-I standing committees by October 1st.
- j. Prepares and distributes agendas for the Executive Board and General Membership meetings with the advice of the Executive Board.
- k. Nominate or appoint LAUC-I representatives to LAUC Committees, with the advice and consent of the Executive Board.
- l. Serve as a member of the Executive Board of LAUC and report back to LAUC-I on all Executive Board decisions and deliberations and perform the duties specified in the LAUC Bylaws Article VI, Section 3.b.1) a) and b).
- m. Serve as a delegate to the statewide Assembly of LAUC.
- n. Designate alternate delegates to the LAUC Assemblies from the LAUC-I Executive Board in the event that the regular delegates cannot attend.
- o. Prepare an annual report of the activities of LAUC-I to be presented to the members prior to 31 August each year.
- p. Serve as liaison with the library staff organizations and/or other staff groups.

3. Key Accomplishments:

- LAUC-I held three hybrid meetings in 2022-2023: October 25 (13 in person, 17 virtual); February 21 (11 in person, 16 virtual); and May 16 (16 in person, 16 virtual).
- LAUC-I was asked by the Chair of the Academic Senate about continued representation on committees, councils, and boards. In response, LAUC-I drafted a letter requesting continued representation, and received a supporting letter from Lorelei Tanji. LAUC-I [compiled a list of Representatives to Academic Senate Committees](#).

Librarian Review Committee

- The LRC reviewed 11 review files and 5 recruitments, with a sixth recruitment underway at the time this report is being submitted.

Program Committee

- The Program committee sponsored two events, one virtually and one in-person. The virtual event included two presenters from local indigenous tribes.

Research and Professional Development Committee (RPDC)

- RPDC reviewed and provided feedback on three grant proposals (one research and two presentation grants), all of which were funded. RPDC also highlighted librarian achievements on the LAUC-I Member Achievements webpage (<https://lauci.lib.uci.edu/member-achievements>). In the Spring of 2023, RPDC led an online Librarian Achievements Showcase with 6 presenters and 27 attendees.

LAUC-I Budget

- We spent \$1235.37 of our allocated budget of \$4500 for three general meetings, travel, and honoraria for programs.

Academic Senate Representatives

- Individual senate representative reports are available on the LAUC-I website.

LAUC Related Business

- LAUC has charged a [Task Force to review Academic PI status](#) to pursue a change in the UC Contracts and Grants Manual so that librarians are listed as a job classification that is automatically eligible for PI status, as PI status is currently handled differently on each campus. A report will be made to LAUC by September 30, 2023.
- LAUC compiled feedback for [proposed changes to the APM -210 for librarians](#), where new language was introduced language related to DEI for librarian review committees (for appointment, merit increases, promotion, or career status actions).
- LAUC assembly was held in person on April 17 at UC Santa Cruz.

4. Recommendations for the Coming Year:

- LAUC-I will be asked for feedback in the 2023 Strategic Plan update.
- Continue to explore avenues for LAUC-I membership engagement through in-person and hybrid formats.
- The RPDC Spring Librarian Achievements showcase was well attended and well appreciated. More programming of this nature would be good. Maybe RPDC and Program committee could work together.