University Library Committee (ULC) Annual Report—June 2017

Met in February 2017 to elect a chair and to clarify the charges to the committee. Dr Shawne Miksa (Group-AL-1) volunteered and was subsequently elected to chair the committee.

There were no recorded minutes of previous meetings available and to the best of our knowledge the committee last met in 2015. Dr Martin Halbert was kind enough to give us a brief overview of the state of the library. Dean Halbert will be leaving UNT in July 2017 for a new position.

Clarification of charges to committee: Dr Miksa asked the Faculty Senate office to clarify the committee's charges as they look to not have been updated since 2010-2011. Provost Graves agreed that they should be updated (emails available, if needed)

Dr Miksa also asked if she could serve on the search committee for the new Library Dean but was told that all positions had been filled. However, Dr James Kennedy represents the ULC on the committee.

Appointment of student representatives: two students agreed to serve as student representatives:

- SGA rep (undergraduate): Stormie Garza, <u>StormieGarza@my.unt.edu</u>
- GSC rep (graduate): Giselle Greenidge, <u>GiselleGreenidge@my.unt.edu</u>

Dr Janelle Mathis was appointed to the committee for Group VI and Dr Miksa was re-appointed for another three years. We still need a representative from Group VIII.

Current committee membership:

Group I: John Ross (LING) - Term Ends 2018
Group II: Greg Hardin (LIBR) - Term Ends 2018
Group III: Nicolae Anghel (MATH) - Term Ends 2019
Group IV: Mark Vosvick (PSYC) - Term Ends 2018*
Group V: Dan Peak (COB) - Term Ends 2019
Group VI: Janelle Mathis (TEA) - Term Ends 2020
Group VII: Jim Kennedy (BIOL) – Term Ends 2018*
Group VIII: VACANT (Schwarz)
Group AL-1: Shawne Miksa (LIS) - Term Ends 2020
Group AL-2: Zuoming Wang (COM) - Term Ends 2019
Appointed members :
Provost & VP for Academic Affairs (ex-officio): Finley Graves
Associate VP for University Planning (ex-officio): Victor Prybutok

Dean of Libraries (ex-officio): Martin Halbert

Alumnus: VACANT Undergrad student, SGA rep: Stormie Garza Grad student, GSC rep: Giselle Greenidge

Given the current search for a new Library Dean and the looming state budget cuts it is unlikely that the current library budget will increase. However, as one the main charges of the committee is to lobby for more funding we will continue to do just that.

As chair, I hope to focus on reporting to the Faculty Senate and the UNT community overall the current state of the library and its needs for the coming years.

Shawne D Miksa

Chair, ULC