

# University of Montana

## University Library Committee Meeting Minutes, 4/8/19

### Call to Order

*Members present:* H. Curtis, A. Klene, V. Hedquist, D. McCrea, Z. Nelson, , T. Ward

*Members absent/excused:* P. Gardner, K. Granath, S. Shen, T. Shearer

*Ex-Officio present:* Interim Dean Barry Brown

- The minutes from March 11, 2019 were approved.

### Communications:

- Interim Dean Brown provided several updates. The last time the committee met there was concern about the possibility of relocating the Missoula College Library. The library is grateful that ASUM Childcare is returning to McGill Hall.
- The Library hosted a lecture: If Walls Could Talk: Women of the East Front Street Neighborhood in Early Missoula on March 14<sup>th</sup>.
- The Archives and Special Collections made the front page of the Missoulian in regards to the Plenty Coups Chief of Crows / Plenty Coups of the Apsáalooke exhibit and associated lecture. Over 80 people attended.
- The Library has several new exhibits / displays – Kio Pow Wow, LGBTQ, UM Pacific Islander Club, Imagine Realities in .....
- The Library is hosting an event at Westside Bowling Lane for its student employees during National Student Employment week.
- The Library manned a table at the March 17<sup>th</sup> International Festival and had 280 visitors.
- The Library will provide hot chocolate and apple cider to students for finals week.
- The Library now has the Missoula Independent archives available online (assessable from campus) except for three dates.
- The Library is in the process of developing priorities for the next 19 month.
- Interim Dean Brown informed the Committee that the Research Office cannot provide the anticipated \$50,000 to help continue access to Web of Science. The Library will be using all of its foundation and gift accounts to maintain collections next year. This is not sustainable.
- He asked whether the Library should pursue a UM Author Recognition Event. Many years ago the Library celebrated faculty authors with refreshments and a short talk. The event could be held during the Montana Book Festival in September and include the Montana Community as well as faculty. Authors appreciate the publicity. Details of what publications to include would need to be discussed.

## **Business**

- None of the attendees were available to chair next year. The Chair will need to be determined at the first meeting in the fall.
- The draft annual report was sent with the minutes. Interim Dean Brown and Professor McCrea had edits. The final draft will be updated and sent to members to approve via online communication.

## **Good and Welfare/Question and Answer**

- Members were thanked for serving on the committee.
- It is likely that the recruitment for a new dean will begin in the fall or spring. There are several vacant dean positions. Recruitments will be in order of how long the position has been vacant.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35p.m.