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Executive Committee of the Members Council on Library Services (MCLS)

Thursday, March 24, 2022 – 1:30-3:00 p.m. EST

Committee Members: Christine Boatright (FGC), Gale Etschmaier (FSU), Brent Mai (UNF), Morgan Tracy (SSC), Judith Russell (UF).

Guests: Ellen Bishop, Wendy Ellis, Brian Erb, Rachel Erb, Susan Rodgers, Elijah Scott, Rebel Cummings-Sauls, Lisa Tatum, Dave Whisenant.

Call to Order

Called to order at 1:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Boatright made a motion to approve the January 20 meeting minutes. Tracy seconded; motion passed.

FSU/NWRDC/FLVC Update

June MCLS Meeting

Etschmaier reported the June MCLS will be an in-person meeting with a hybrid option. The meeting will be at the FLVC offices in Tallahassee. CSUL will be meeting at the FLVC offices in Tallahassee. Scott stated that the MCLS meeting registration fee will need to be increased from \$35 to \$45. This is due to FSU's overhead cost and costs associated with catering for the meeting.

SUS/FCS at-large Representative Term Lengths

Scott stated the NWRDC board approved the plan to appoint 4 members from FLVC members councils to the board: 2 from Library Services members council and 2 from Distance Learning and Student Services members council. Each council can choose who is on the board. The terms will be 3-year terms. The FCS decided to appoint the member at-large representative to serve on the NWRDC board. FCS would like to extend their term length from 2 to 3 years, so that it is in alignment with the NWRDC term. For the SUS, CSUL will discuss at their next meeting. The discussion was tabled for the next Executive Committee meeting in April.

Library Services Updates

Executive Director

Scott updated the council on Student Open Access Resources (SOAR). Senate Bill 2524 passed. This included the language for SOAR. The budget for this is in the appropriations

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bill. If the appropriations bill passes this will be included in FLVC's budget and be administered by FLVC. The state data center will be moving to the NWRDC. This will be a separate budget from FLVC. Discussion followed.

Integrated Library Services

Bishop gave a personnel update. A Discovery Services Specialist position has been posted. There is one other position, Acquisitions and Serials Technical Services, that is still vacant. Once those positions are filled, Integrated Library Services will be fully staffed. Bishop reviewed the various projects the unit is working on. Training on Administrator Roles for library staff continues. Approximately half of all 40 institutions have a Library Role Administrator. User Management Role training is scheduled for April 4. Work continues converting FIU's Wolfsonian Museum Library to Alma/Primo Ve. Integrated Library Services is preparing for the Aleph shutdown in July. We are concentrating on data that did not make it in the migration. That data is being moved to an on-premise server. Bishop reminded the committee that Ex Libris is changing their new releases to a quarterly timetable. The last monthly will be in May and first quarterly release will be in August. Open hours are still being held.

E-Resources

R. Erb stated the second round of interview for the E-Resources Collections and Acquisitions position are complete. The committee will meet this month to select a final candidate. The EBSCO order forms dates were changed to reflect April 15. The order forms are with FLVC's contract administrator for signatures. Lexis Nexis negotiations are still on-going. Springer Nature is still pending. A survey was sent out to group licensing vendors to see the earliest date prices could be made available.

Library Support and Training

B. Erb stated the final 4 schools are working on OpenAthens implementation. These schools should be able to go live this summer. Whisenant stated we are working with the ILS coordinators with all institutions on the Alma/Primo enhancement process. The enhancement list came out March 21. FLVC staff will be meeting to go through the enhancements and highlight those that will be beneficial. Then, we will meet with the ILS coordinators for recommendations. Then, voting will take place.

Digital Services and OER

Cummings-Sauls stated there should be an announcement soon on the open position. Work is continuing the feasibility study on Islandora 2.0. We will share those results as soon

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as they are available. Florida OJ is continuing, and we are adding journals into the PKP preservation network. Anything that has an ISSN can be added. We are putting together a document on SOAR to put on Open Florida. The OER summit is scheduled for May 18-19.

New Business

The next scheduled Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for April 2. A doodle poll will be sent out to reschedule May's Executive Committee meeting since it conflicts with the OER Summit. The next MCLS meetings are scheduled for March 3-4, 2022, and June 2-3, 2022. September 15-16 was chosen for the fall MCLS meeting dates. We will ask for volunteers to host the September meeting at the June MCLS meeting. Etschmaier suggested "Review local policies on requests for withdrawal of materials from collections and to make a recommendation of best practices and guidelines for FLVC institutions" as a draft charge for the newly formed Materials Working group. Scott will set up the first meeting for the working group and present the charge for the group to review and make any necessary additions or changes.

Meeting adjourned 2:33 p.m. EST.

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