

Senate Library Committee
Minutes of the Meeting on October 27, 2022

Present: Gwen Bird
Jeff Derksen
Elizabeth Elle
Michael Everton
Kate Elliott
Natalie Gick
David Kloepfer
Yolanda Koscielski
Danny Leznoff
John Maxwell
Dugan O'Neil (Chair)
Geoffrey Poitras
Susie Smith (Recording Secretary)
Vance Williams

Guests:
Ashley Edwards
Don Taylor

Absent: Hugo Cardoso
Priyanka Dhesa
Judit Nagy
Judy Smith
Ljiljana Trajkovic

1. Approval of the Agenda
Approved.

2. Approval of June 13, 2022 Minutes
Approved.

3. Business Arising from the minutes

Senate Library Committee Terms of Reference (Gwen Bird) – The revised TOR was approved by SCAR and Senate. This is officially completed.

4. Chair's Report (Dugan O'Neil)

D.O'Neil advised that due to delays in processing travel visas and geopolitical issues around the world, there is a significant shortfall in the University's revenue from tuition. The majority of the shortfall, approximately \$12-\$15 million, will be covered from the University's contingency budget. A small portion has been divided up among the VP portfolios across the university, amounting to an in-year reduction of 1% in budgets.

5. Dean of Libraries Report (Gwen Bird)

G.Bird announced that Mar González-Palacios will be our new Associate Dean, Collections and Content Strategy beginning November 1, 2022. An announcement is pending for our other new Associate Dean, Academic Engagement.

The library has licensed a new software tool, [Covidence](#), for the support of systematic and scoping reviews. We also received news of the renewal of funding to [Coalition Publica](#) which is a collaboration between SFU's Public Knowledge Project and Érudit, based at University of Montreal. Although PKP has now moved out of the library and into the VPRI area as a core research facility, the library maintains strong ties with PKP.

Vancouver and Surrey libraries. We have begun working through the details of this change to ensure a smooth transition. A question was asked who will be the chair of this committee after April 1, 2023. G.Bird will speak to Wade about the Chair's position. V. Williams asked if this will change the core mandate of the Library. G.Bird said it will not change but instead reinforce the Library to the academic success to the University. G.Bird will be continuing to meet with D.O'Neil after the move.

6. Annual Report for the Senate Library Committee and Library Penalties Appeal Committee (Gwen Bird)

A question was asked if the Library had noticed a large number of items not being returned. Gwen replied that there has not been an increase. We still send out collection notices and there are automatic renewals on books. D.Leznoff moved to accept both the Annual Report and Library Penalties Appeal Committee report as presented. V.Williams seconded the motion. Motion approved. The report will be sent to Senate.

7. New Central Copyright Clearance Fund (Don Taylor)

In Fall 2022 the SFU Copyright Office soft launched a new SFU Copyright Clearance Fund. This fund covers copyright licensing costs for eligible reading materials used in teaching, providing free online access to the materials for students. The fund is currently set at \$50,000 for this fiscal year. A question was asked what the amount was based on. D.Taylor said it is based on discussions with numerous institutions of similar size. Another question was asked on how much has been used so far and what happens if the fund is exhausted. D.Taylor replied that about \$6000 has been used and if it gets exhausted, a request would be made to have the fund increased. The fund will be more heavily promoted next week to instructors.

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