

## Senate Library Services Committee meeting 2/15/2021

**Present:** Jason Torre (chair), Chris Sauerwald, Christine Fena, Spencer Austin, Phil Doesschate, Helmut Norpoth, Daniel Davis, Peter Manning, Zhenhua Liu, Izumi Ashizawa, Kristen Shorette

Excused: Jessica Koos, Jingxuan Liu

- **Introductions**
- **Chair called meeting to order at 12:10 PM**
  - Approval of the Minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting, link: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Mo5J4NTCJLEpMIE1O-9nJg1EXB3yG3Vdc0pRqCCP7Uc/edit?usp=sharing>
  - Committee members reviewed the meeting minutes; motion to approve forwarded by \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_; members approved the meeting minutes.
- **March Meeting Topics: (1) Data Management Presentation; (2) Dean of Libraries Reporting.**
  - Librarians Jessica Koos and Claire Payne will join in March meeting for a talk about Research Data management
  - Library Dean Shafeek - Elsevier update, budget update
- **April Meeting Topic: Presentation on Special Collections & University Archives**
  - Most of the time for April meeting will be devoted Special Collections & Archives, Kristen Nyitray has not given an update to the committee in a long time - overview of initiatives in progress and grant writing process for future initiatives
    - Do we need to meet again in May? Chair says that people may be exhausted by that point in the semester. Would need to be moved forward so as not to fall during final exams.
- **New Business**
  - **Philip:** Do we want our colleague Kim Berlin to talk on the topic of "Technology in Kenya - digital preservation and curation of historic collections and scientific research"? She would discuss our activities toward the management of permanent digital collections of scientific research and historic archives of the Leakey family and of the on-going research activities of the Turkana Basin Institute (TBI) in Kenya.
  - **For those who are PI's: how are you handling data management today?**
    - Hanna: this is a real issue. There's a server that they can apply to use for electronic data. Physical specimens are trouble though because there is no central repository - NSF and NASA see it as a real imposition on facilities to manage physical specimens. PI's are ephemeral but institutions are supposedly not as ephemeral. Data must be transparent and easy to access for other researchers. NSF and NASA goal for

electronic data is that it should be accessible to anyone in the public not just university researchers. What are the funding requirements from agencies on this topic? Where should the resources come from to fulfill these requirements? SBU does not provide overhead for things such as computers/hardware and must be grant funded but NSF/NASA sees this a double dipping.

- Phil: Is the SUNY Research Foundation playing any role in this? Institutional responsibility to implement something more permanent?
- Dan: Expectation increasingly is that you don't need to have an SBU NetID to access everything that comes out of state funded research. Library must include Rich Reeder and DoIT as well as Grants Management to shepherd this process
- Phil: being able to validate/replicate research data
- Hanna: experimental procedures are considered data too, not just experiment outcomes
- Phil: what is the Libraries role going forward?
  - Hanna: What other group is more familiar with archiving and retrieving information? Transition from physical to electronic. We can't wait and it must be put forward as a University initiative. 2 years after the completion, ANYONE can request data and these are due - utmost urgency, don't assume the PI still has it. Many PI's are retiring.
  - Helmut: Dataverse? Are you all familiar? Quick screenshare of the Dataverse website; it's a straightforward way to deposit research data - [dataverse.harvard.edu](https://dataverse.harvard.edu) <https://dataverse.org/>
  - Hanna: much of the complete research data from PI's is not published, just the "good data"; but NASA/NSF wants ALL data to be available not just the particularly relevant or "good" data
  - Christine put a link in chat with supplemental info on public repositories in various disciplines:  
<https://www-nature-com.proxy.library.stonybrook.edu/sdata/policies/repositories>
  - Jason: This is a larger University initiative that has been in progress for several years. Strategic plan includes this process as one of the most important roles the Libraries serve at SBU. Once the new provost arrives in a month or so, the campus community will begin looking to the future and strategic planning for this. Request from EC to have Shafeek and Heath do another update at April meeting on Elsevier
- Phil: outdated University policies originally written in 1996 do not address modern modes of material circulation and access (electronic resources) <https://www.stonybrook.edu/policy/policies.shtml?ID=200> Middle States Accreditation will ask whether policies are reviewed and updated frequently

- Jason: all of the libraries branches listed in old policy still exist but the way that they interact has changed - we should follow up on this later. Public facing webpages on materials and circulation are the most up to date. Things have been updated to the public but those policy changes are reflected on internal “intranet” resources. Shared governance with Senate
  
- **Committee entered into executive session for the remainder of the discussion topics**
  - **Dean of Libraries Search Update**
  - **Library Attrition Numbers**
  
- **Jason: invites committee members to upcoming Library Life series on COVID-19 archive (Zoom invite/link is forthcoming, check Libraries website events section)**
  
- **Adjourned at 1:18 PM**