University Libraries Committee  
Minutes of the Meeting  
Friday December 6th, 2019

Present:  Yangbo Ye, Chair; Loren Glass; Rosemary Tiwari, Andrew Hoffmann, Robin Paetzold, M. Lindell Joseph; Evan Krasner; Miriam Gilbert, Emeritus Faculty Council Rep

Staff:  John Culshaw, Jack B. King University Librarian; Kelly Taylor, Assistant to the University Librarian; Linda Walton & Paul Soderdahl, Associate University Librarians; Shelby Strommer, Libraries Strategic Planning update team member

Absent:  Katrina Sanders; Gillian Marbury; Megan Wright

I.  Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM.

II.  A member of the Libraries’ strategic planning update team held a closed session with the Committee to discuss strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities they see for the Libraries.

III.  Soderdahl demonstrated Esploro, the platform from ExLibris we are implementing to support research. The main goal is to create a comprehensive catalog of all publications emanating from the University of Iowa. The system will go live in 2020.
University Libraries Committee
Minutes of the Meeting
Thursday, October 17, 2019

Present: Yangbo Ye, Chair; Loren Glass; Rosemary Tiwari, Andrew Hoffmann, Robin Paetzold, M. Lindell Joseph; Evan Krasner; Miriam Gilbert, Emeritus Faculty Council Rep

Staff: John Culshaw, Jack B. King University Librarian; Kelly Taylor, Assistant to the University Librarian

Absent: Katrina Sanders; Gillian Marbury; Megan Wright

III. Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM.

IV. Updates from the University Librarian
   Culshaw noted the Presidential Portrait unveiling event to be held this afternoon at 4 PM; the Libraries has begun the process to update their Strategic Plan; and Google has shown interest in more of our titles to include in Googlebooks and the Libraries has agreed to the three-year scanning project.

III. The Committee visited Special Collections for a special viewing of items from the Sackner Archive of Concrete and Visual Poetry.
University Libraries Committee  
Minutes of the Meeting  
Monday, September 16, 2019

Present: Yangbo Ye, Chair; Loren Glass; Megan Wright, Rosemary Tiwari, Andrew Hoffmann

Staff: John Culshaw, Jack B. King University Librarian; Linda Walton, Associate University Librarian; Kelly Taylor, Assistant to the University Librarian

Absent: Katrina Sanders; M. Joseph Lindell, Robin Paetzold

V. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM. Introductions were made; Ye reviewed the Committee charge with the group.

VI. Culshaw and Walton discussed Elsevier and how other institutions are responding to its price increases, including dropping packages and working towards more open access deals.

VII. Culshaw shared information on FY19 collection expenditures which shows ongoing resources accounting for about 80% of our material purchases.

VIII. Walton noted that the cancellation project was successful, with selectors cancelling more than expected as they reviewed, for example, UI program areas that had changed so those particular materials were no longer getting used.

IX. Culshaw noted that the Libraries is beginning its strategic plan review but we do not see any significant changes as we are already well aligned with the University’s 4 areas. The Libraries is also beginning DEI planning with a goal of having an action plan by spring.

X. Brainstormed possible meeting topics: special collections, Sackner archive, space planning, Esploro