The Faculty Council on University Libraries met at 1:35 p.m. on Friday, May 18, 2007, at the University of Washington Suzzallo Library, 5th Floor conference room East. Chair Charles Wilkinson presided over the meeting.

**Synopsis**

1. Approval of the April 6, 2007 minutes.

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The minutes of April 6, 2007 were approved as written.

2. Continuation of presentation and discussion of issues surrounding the rapidly changing area of scholarly communications (Tim Jewell, Director, Information Resources, Collections and Scholarly Communication, and Mel DeSart, Head, Engineering Library)

DeSart continued the discussion of Scholarly Communications issues that are at the forefront including open access publishing and open archives. Open Access (OA) publishing come in two forms - true and hybrid Open Access. DeSart explained the differences.

Jewell gave links to a couple of Open Source pieces of software aimed at supporting OA publishing: DPubs (Cornell & Penn State); OJS – Open Journal System (UBC).

Open Archiving was discussed (subject-based repositories) with examples of links. (i.e. arXiv, PubMed, CiteSeer, CogPrints, Earth-prings, RePEc)

The other primary type of repository is the intuitional Repository (IR). Dozens of these IR’s are being created for the publishing of local faculty and students. Jewell reviewed the goals: An IR is a system that stores, preserves, and provides access to an institution’s digital content.

There are several that are more prominent than others: escholarship; Deep Blue; T-Space; UR Research; ect. Each of these IR’s were shown and discussed by the group.
IR is built on specific software (the UW’s IR is based on DSpace). The UW Libraries DSpace has several communities with content that has been deposited. Current discussion is about redesign and focus on faculty publications and maybe undergraduate theses and papers. The concept needs to be discussed. Jewell also reviewed the problems with IR including limited evidence that IR’s will create change; libraries do not have staff to support ingest of content, so work falls to faculty and departments; many faculty see IR’s as adding to their work without really solving a problem for them (i.e. copyright).

Jewell reviewed the options of how to take IR to the next step and the question of current policy and legislation. DeSart discussed the various policies (NIH Voluntary Submission Policy; FRPAA (strictly Journal publishing), and Freedom and Innovation Revitalizing U.S. Entrepreneurship Act of 2007, or Fair Use Act.) Jewell reviewed what the Libraries has been doing to increase the amount of communication to faculty including support on author copyright issues, support on classroom copyright issues, and monitoring/responding to legislative issues; IR development, move theses and dissertations to OA; support for OA Publishing and think about what the Libraries role will be for the OA issues.

Jewell asked about pursuing OA discussion with faculty since these issues are not reaching faculty. A symposium series throughout the year was suggested—discussing these topics as a UW wide event, perhaps a forum where representatives come and talk about how they handle OA and electronic journals. It was suggested this is a major problem internationally. What is this doing to advance knowledge when only some have the privilege of access?

A forum was suggested to talk with the “have-nots” on how they get research results from the UW from the viewpoint of global health and access and provide the symposium with a strong focus (e.g. infectious diseases)

The members of FCUL agreed that anything they can do that will promote open access is a priority.

Discussion followed on the presentation material.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Next meeting

The next FCUL meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2007 in the Allen Auditorium, Allen Library.

PRESENT:  Professors: Wilkinson (chair), Kot, Diment, Martin, Retman MacLachlan  
President’s Designee: Wilson  
Representatives: Albano, Mortensen, Mills, Thornton
**Guests:** Charles Chamberlin, Tim Jewell, Mel DeSart

**ABSENT:**

**Professors:** Goodkin, Seaburg

**Representatives:**

**EXCUSED ABSENCE:**

**Professors:** Korshin, Tashiro, Laird,

**Representatives:**

Handouts:
- Scholarly Communication presentation by Jewell/DeSart

Linda Ambre, Recorder