

URSUS DIRECTORS
Friday, October 28, 2016
Bangor Public Library Board Room – 1st Floor
Meeting Notes

Attendees: Barbara McDade (Chair), James Jackson Sanborn, Bryce Cundick, Joyce Rumery, Marianne Thibodeau, Benjamin Treat

Virtual Attendees: David Nutty, Leslie Kelley, James Ritter

Absent: Stacey Brownlie, Roger Getz, Chris Iaconeta, John Barden

1. Minutes Of September 30, 2016 URSUS Directors meeting approved
2. Cataloging Standards Committee charge—David & Joyce

The revised draft was discussed. Joyce will amend and send to directors via email for approval and then to Bryce for distribution to catalog standards committee.

3. MIN Director Report – Item Booking History

Item booking history – the history of item booking is turned off – due to confidentiality. The button is grayed out, its purpose is to show cancelled booking items. BPL wanted this for microscope and other items that may have parts/pieces missing. Booking history is for cancelled items.

Maine InfoNet Download Library issued an announcement that the download library will be switching from Overdrive to 3M's Bibliotheca. There were a few communications both negative and positive regarding the switch. Libraries will get to keep books purchased via the Overdrive Advantage accounts. More outreach to advantage accounts libraries will be initiated. There will be an FAQ about the change to help libraries with the transition.

MILS

MILS libraries are going live. Maine InfoNet needs to work with the Maine State Library and others for the development of a pricing structure. James is open to suggestions, for example should pricing be pegged to an fte type figure?

4. Off-Campus OCLC ILL service

The OCLS interlibrary loan is currently running in tandem both via OCLS and UMA (ILLiad) service. UMA would like to transition students to their home campus. Goal is not to remove a branded service, but to redirect patrons to their home campus. How to transition? Can this be done by lib staff or by the patron? It was suggested that Greg Curtis be part of this conversation.

University College structure has been redefined. Brenda Mcaleer – Dean of Professional

Studies & Provost of University College, will now come under UMA's administrative umbrella. BJ Kitchen and Deb Meehan will manage the two distinct arms of OCLS.

5. Shared Database Approach – Bryce

Bryce advocated buying more shared databases for the campuses, particularly reinstating OED which has been requested at Farmington. Bryce will set up a google docs asking what databases are currently subscribed to at each campus and what databases each campus would like to have, to create a wish list. This was last done by the Collections Committee at the request of the directors in 2012 with a survey of databases subscribed to in 2014. Refreshing the wish list with costs from vendors is a very time consuming task.

UMS procurement will not help the libraries since any contractual savings goes back to the UMS Office. The libraries would not have that money for other resources.

Other database news:

The Elsevier (Science Direct) contract is up for renewal, a 5% increase is anticipated. One plan is to substitute SCOPUS for Web of Science which might help with the contract. A trial is being set up, it was late starting due to difficulties at the Elsevier side. The decision will be for either SCOPUS or Web of Science, we cannot afford both.

6. Films on Demand – Leslie

Brenda is completing the final paperwork. Libraries will see the requisition in Marketplace soon for approval. There is a desire to look at other solutions for streaming video. UMA uses Kanopy, but it has a volatile catalog.

7. The new VCAA, Bob Neely - invitation for visit

It was decided to invite Bob Neeley, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs to attend an URSUS Directors' meeting in January or February. The updated eleven libraries document will be sent to him in preparation for the meeting. This should be a meeting where all can be in attendance, so planning will be important as well as watching the weather across the state. We will need to be flexible.

Recently the VCAA was part of a UMS wide effort to visit every campus to gather data from faculty and staff to inform the UMS initiative on resource allocation planning work related to the Board of Trustees priority outcomes:

- increase enrollment
- improve student success & completion
- support Maine through research & economic development

- enhance fiscal positioning

It was noted that the methodology of the data gathering was flawed. Every poll came out about the same in the important to very important range at UMM, and totally opposite results were reported at UMF.

One Library

The draft document was reviewed. It was decided to have two sections one on challenges and the other on new initiatives.

We want to develop a timeline for completion of initiatives.

The directors will review the draft and send comments to Joyce and David. This needs to be a 21st century document. The plan is to finish the document and send it to the Vice Chancellor when we invite him to meet with us.

In the past the URSUS Directors' Council reported to the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, with a meeting two times a year. The directors would like to reestablish this with Chancellor Neeley.

We will give the Vice Chancellor a copy of the Maine Policy Review on libraries at our meeting with him.

8. **One University** -- stay prepared for any upcoming conversations.

9. **Summon (OneSearch) day will be Wednesday, November 9 from 10am to 3pm in the Fogler Library classroom.**

There will be a presentation on Browzine in the morning before the Summon work begins. The Summon workshop participants will take the lead in how they've tweaked Summon to be more useful. Attendees will be able to tweak their summon instances at the workshop.

Assessment -- Maintain a matrix of data, which is tied into the assessment, Focus Groups, etc.

Leslie, Joyce and Marianne will continue to work on this. Leslie will take the lead.

10. Collaborative Digital Projects

The Larger Libraries Group is interested in the digitization efforts and if there is duplication of work. Clem Guthro, Colby College, was asked to convene a meeting to focus on facilitating the digitization of unique documents.

DPLA conducted two surveys nationwide asking libraries if they are digitizing collections and what types of materials are being digitized. The Larger Libraries are digitizing, they have the resources and knowledge. Smaller libraries lack these resources. Maine is one of the top 5% of states that are digitizing collections. Jamie Ritter will share the data from these surveys once fully compiled.

11. Telling our stories "Illustrating the Value of Libraries to the Communities We Serve – Library Assessment and Marketing"

Jamie is awaiting an email response from Jamie LaRue.

12. URSUS Professional Development Day

Bryce will lead a sub-committee to explore the logistics and feasibility of holding a professional development day for all URSUS library staff this summer. Barbara McDade, and Alison Maxell from the Maine State will assist in this effort.

13. Library Updates

UMM

Two new positions were announced – athletic director and interim director of admissions.

The UMS BOT will be meeting at UMM in November with a reception held in the library.

Campus budget hearings asking for a 10% cut (this is a \$25,000 cut for the library) to develop a local UMM account for strategic investments. The library is asking for a \$12,000 increase.

The new website launch – less than hoped for.

Six faculty searches have been launched.

UMFK

UMFK is currently working with Harriman Associates and updating the UMFK Capital Plan. The Library has been part of the meetings and has been providing input for possible changes to the "gym" part of the library.

Two students have been giving workshops on 3D Design. The library has already seen an increase of use of the 3D printer.

Acadian Archives launches a new exhibit, "Ancient Maps of the New World" -

<https://www.umfk.edu/valleyvision/acadian-archives-exhibit-of-ancient-maps-of-the-new-world/>

GOAL -(Guide to Online Achievements in Learning) - The ultimate aim of GOAL is provide UMS students with the tools, resources and information necessary to be self-directed and

proactive in pursuing their educational goals. The group will be looking at pointing to the Campus Guides from each of the libraries.

Library staff is working with a local artist to create a tile mosaic for one of the walls in the library.

UMF

Still in a holding pattern as far as library leadership goes. No further word from the provost on the direction he wants to go.

MLA Annual registrations are up to 170 now, should be a great conference.

UM

October census reported a first year class of 2,230

Reference staff are offering programs: a library book club on various topics, horror, graphic novels, dystopian literature, etc. Also a program on Books in My Life, led by faculty and staff at the university. Plus a Family Night in the children's literature collection room.

The library's public relations manager has almost completed the first issue of a Fogler Library magazine that we intend to publish once a year. He also began a Student Ambassador program.

We have two open positions in reference, one part-time academic year and the other full-time science reference.

Respectfully submitted by,

Marianne Thibodeau