

Library Committee

2019-2020 Annual Report

The Faculty Senate Library Committee did not convene in 2019-20 academic year.

Melissa Santala was asked, and agreed, to re-join the committee as chair in February 2020, as no current member was willing to serve in the position.

At the request of Santala, two attempts were made by Vickie Nunnemaker to schedule a meeting, with no success. As a result, no student members were recruited and no meaningful activity occurred. Given the impact of COVID-19 throughout the spring 2020 quarter, the lack of success in scheduling may be understandable, though it does not explain the lack of activity in fall and winter terms.

At the end of the 2019-2020 academic year, the chair contacted all committee members directly by email soliciting any information for the Library Committee report, even if only to shed light on the reasons for the inactivity. Responses were received from Carolyn Fonyo, who wrote that she had responded to requests for scheduling information but received no further information, and Brian Sidlauskas, who was on sabbatical.

The following set of recommendations for the 2020-2021 Library Committee are from the committee chair, based on the lack of activity in 2019-2020:

- 1) When filling open positions, the likelihood of meaningful participation should be prioritized. Balancing the representation of units across the university on the committee is important, but meaningless if the committee is completely inactive.
- 2) Recruit student members early in the Fall term.

Membership at the end of 2019-2020

Name	Unit	Term Ending
Melissa Santala – Chair (joined 2/2020)	Mechanical, Industrial & Manufacturing Engineering	2022
Tim Alcon	Electrical Engineering & Computer Science	2020
Bret Carpenter (v. Bovbjerg)	College of Business	2020
Stephen Jenkins (v. Yang)	Student Affairs	2020
David Barber	Information Services	2021
Christine Gallagher (v. Thompson)	Graphic Design	2021
TBA (v. Sidlauskas)		2021
Carolyn Fonyo	Graduate School	2022
Kate Kerish	INTO OSU	2022
Faye Chadwell – Ex-Officio	University Libraries	
Jane Waite – Executive Committee Liaison		

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