LAUC-SD R&PD

Notes from November 17, 2014 Meeting

The Research & Professional Development Committee's second meeting of 2014/15 was held on Monday, November 17, 2014, from 11:00-Noon in the Redwood Conference Room.

Members present: Marlayna Christensen (convener, co-chair), Shi Deng (statewide representative), SuHui Ho (co-chair), Ryan Johnson (minutes), and Rob Melton.
Absent: Cristela Garcia-Spitz, Crystal Goldman.

1. Announcements

Statewide Committee Update (Shi) - Received 5 research, 1 mini grant, and 13 presentations proposals. They are in the process of reviewing; will make recommendations to the LAUC President in early December. No proposals were from UC San Diego.

Next (local) deadline is January 17 for presentations. Statewide deadline is February 13.

Grant proposals can be approved pending acceptance. Before presentation grant funds will be released, the grant applicant must submit a notice that the presentation proposal has been accepted. Is this an issue that discourages participation?

☐ **Action item:** Shi will see if Jan 17 is a hard deadline or if we can get potential proposals in after the deadline (it looks like it can be flexible). [Correction: Shi found out after meeting that the deadline was actually Feb. 16]

☐ **Action item:** Shi will draft a reminder announcement about statewide presentation grants, ask people to start thinking about presentations, and keep this deadline on people's radar, especially before the holiday breaks. For more information, they can contact R&PD/Shi.

2. eScholarship

Erik Matwijkow is taking over submission administration from Jennifer Franson. Updates and submissions will be available to the committee in at the P: drive folders.

Issue of peer review. Does existing eScholarship have a 'tag' to indicate what is and what isn't peer reviewed? A large portion is not peer reviewed.

Looking at LAUC-SD, the website says if it's not peer reviewed, the author needs to sign an agreement and make sure it is openly accessible. If peer reviewed, it needs an agreement from author and publisher. It seems like our committee review may be an unnecessary step in the process.

☐ **Action item:** Marlayna will review documentation, talk to Mary Linn (and maybe Brian?) to get background details, and to see what our function is in this process. Brian might have first pushed for this R&PD / eScholarship link. If we are part of the process, we will add it to our charge/bylaws.

☐ We will remind people giving presentations that they can put their materials into eScholarship.

3. Budget

We have two budget codes, from two different sources of money. If one runs out, money can be used from the other source. $11,750 total for both funds.

$5,000 is the pot (Research & Projects) that the allocation comes from ($100 opt-in program comes from here). If/when we need more, we take more from the other fund (Programs & Professional Development. If/when new hires come in, it is up to us to offer them the extra $100.

The rest goes to grants and our programming (speakers, events, etc.). Any unspent funds at the end of the year will go to the library's bottom line. Money in the bottom line funds can supplement library-wide training fund or reallocated elsewhere.

Opt-in deadline was last Friday. 9 no, 3 non-responders. SuHui will contact them directly.

Last two years the committee has given back around $5,000 each year. So we should encourage people to apply for research grant, do more programs (perhaps bring in experts), get ideas about how to get people to utilize the funds. Maybe a second round of $50 professional development support? More discussion for December R&PD meeting.

☐ **Action item:** Marlayna will talk to Peter Rolla to further clarify Library Professional Development Program.

Perhaps people don't think they have the right skills to get involved. R&PD could offer programs that offer info from experts on the issues involved with research (statistics analysis, research methods, etc.).

☐ **Action item:** For the December agenda we will discuss programming and guidelines to generate more applications.

☐ **Action item:** We have a goal to have a program sometime in February or early March. Plan it around Spring Break and relevant conferences.

4. Revising Committee Charge

Original charge generated in 1987; there were two separate committees, later merged into one program. Each librarian had to submit a PD plan every year. Now defunct.

☐ **Action item:** Revise the wording in our charge to change/omit the old language. More useful wording in the charge. To change the charge, the bylaws would also need to be changed, which requires a membership vote.

-Ryan Johnson, November 17, 2014