CHARTER COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT TO THE SHARED GOVERNANCE COUNCIL

Committee: University Libraries Committee

Report Year: 2015-2016

Committee Chair(s)	Stewart W. Ehly
Committee Members	Faculty: Charles Frohman; Stewart Ehly; Jill Valde; Michael Moore; Marian Wilson Kimber Administrative Liaisons: Barry Butler; John Culshaw Staff: Julie Sexton; James McCoy
	(1) The Committee shall be governed by the terms of the General Charter.
	(2) In addition, the Committee shall:
	(a) Advise on policy regarding the growth of the resources and services the University Libraries provide;
Committee Charge	(b) Advise on policies regarding the assignment of facilities within the libraries and the availability of services which render the libraries more useful to members of the University community and the public;
	(c) Advise on the coordination of the branch libraries and their services and resources with those of the Main Library and the Hardin Library for the Health Sciences;
	(d) Advise on the use and development of library facilities, including the Main Library, the branch libraries, and off-site storage.
Current Year Meeting Dates	October 26, 2015; November 30, 2015; February 8, 2016; March 7, 2016; April 18, 2016
Please indicate the typical frequency of meetings (e.g., first Tuesday of month at 4 pm). If there are subcommittees, please indicate the frequency of those meetings, too.	There are no subcommittees at this time. Meetings usually are held three times per semester in the months noted above.
Current Year Activities	The following topics were discussed at one or more sessions: (1) Open access funding; (2) The status of the Google Book project; (3) Progress on the CIC Shared Print Repository; (4) Status of off-campus library storage facility; (5) Faculty survey results from the Ithaka S+RT's Libraries Scholarly Communication Program; (6) Report on the Digital Scholarship and Publishing Studio; (7) Presentation of the Libraries' new strategic plan for 2015-2018; (8) Renovation of the gallery; (9) Status of

	libraries' collections and staff—discussion with President Harreld noted ranking of libraries according to the Association of Research Libraries; (10) Obstacles to electronic publishing; (11) Upcoming changes to the library catalog; (12) FY17 budget for the libraries
Topics your committee anticipates addressing during the coming year	Funding to meet priorities will continue as a topic of interest
Other issues of concern	
What should we tell applicants for this committee regarding expectations of members (anticipated workload, existence of subcommittees, etc.)?	Committee workload is relatively light. Discussions of library services and priorities are always interesting
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Recommendations, if any, to the shared governance groups.	