

## Library Council Minutes

March 28, 2024

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

**Present:** Melissa Belvadi, Katelyn Browne (recording), Rob Drew, Sarah Fisher, Noah Mannholland, Courtney Matthews, Keltie MacPhail, Kim Mears, Donald Moses (Chair)

**Regrets/Absent:** Rosie Le Faive, Simon Lloyd, Nayana Sunila

### Meeting Online (Zoom)

**Land Acknowledgement:** offered by the Chair, who also reported on Dr. Margaret Robinson's recent CAAL/CBPA webinar, "Gathering Data About Indigenous Gender and Identity: What is Missing From the Numbers?" The webinar can be viewed on the [CAAL webinars page](#).

- **Approval of Agenda:** moved by S. Lloyd, seconded by C. Matthews. Consensus was reached.
- **Approval of Minutes** ([February 22, 2024](#)): moved by K. Browne, seconded by K. Mears. Consensus was reached.
- **Follow-ups on Pre-submitted Reports:** none
- **Student Reports**
  - Undergraduate students
    - N. Mannholland offered to answer any questions about the Student Union or student involvement.
      - D. Moses asked about the outcoming of the Student Union elections. N. Mannholland is returning for another year as VP External.
      - D. Moses will also reach out with more information about the current laptop loan pool.
      - K. Mears asked whether the Student Union was involved with the upcoming EDIID Symposium. N. Mannholland was not aware of any involvement but will check with others on the executive.
  - Graduate students
    - No report.
- **Post-Library Council CUPE** (R. Drew, S. Fisher)
  - D. Moses expressed thanks to Shawne Holcomb for their service as CUPE rep in Sarah's absence, and for all of Shawne's other support during February while circulation was understaffed.
  - R. Drew brought forward a question about the Alumni Association's upcoming meeting, which will be held in April. The meeting is scheduled at the same time as a Senate meeting, so S. Lloyd will assist with the alumni connections.
- **Past Items for Discussion or Proposals**
  - Library Policies
  - Library Operations



- **Roundtable**

- S. Fisher is sending out offers to summer students soon. The summer desk schedule is in progress.
- S. Lloyd is a co-applicant on a SSHRC Discover grant along with some Nursing colleagues; they've just received word that their grant has been approved. The focus is on the experiences of Islanders seeking gender-affirming care.
- R. Drew is doing preliminary work on the next versions of IslandLives and the Library website.
- K. Mears has been invited to participate in the installation of the Chancellor and was able to review footage of past installations thanks to the work of J. Rossiter.
- C. Matthews reported that the Digital Initiatives & Systems unit is working on a sequence of upgrades to services including Redmine, Evergreen, and EZProxy, as well as a review of our Islandora properties.
- M. Belvadi has just had a presentation proposal accepted for the CRKN conference covering 3 of the 4 tools developed by Computer Science students this term. (She has been the client for all 40 students in the course this term!) Those projects are wrapping up and generally look quite promising.
- K. MacPhail is working on student hiring for the summer. She gave a webinar this week on "Digitizing Audio Cassette Collections for Preservation and Access at UPEI's Robertson Library" for CAAL/CBPA, which D. Moses reports was well-received.