Council of Chief Librarians (CCL) Report to ASCCC

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**ASCCC Resolutions**

All the resolutions adopted by the delegates at the Fall Plenary Session are of interest to faculty, but two were of special interest for librarians:

* 2.01 (Advocating for the Retention of a Library and Learning Resources and Support Services Substandard to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges 2024 Revised Accreditation Standards), and
* 7.06 (Action Plan for Increasing Library Staffing in Accordance with Title 5)

CCL will connect with President May and Executive Director Mica on how best CCL can work with the ASCCC on these resolutions.

In addition, the resolutions on Open Educational Resources and Zero Textbook Costs are of interest to librarians as many of them are vital resources (and leaders) in OER and ZTC initiatives at the colleges.

As many of the credit library courses offered at the colleges do satisfy the Lifelong Learning component of the current CSU GE Breadth Requirements, librarians will also be interested in the resolutions regarding changes to the GE and transfer requirements to the CSU and UC systems.

Lastly, librarians welcome 13.02 (Updating Codes of Conduct to Support Safe and Welcoming Classrooms and Learning Spaces in a Politically Charged Climate) as the library is our classroom and learning space.

**Library Services Platform (LSP)**

CCL has contracted with Elizabeth Bowman, retired library director at Santa Barbara City College, to be the CCL Program Manager for the LSP. In this position, she will identify, manage, and monitor CCL’s responsibilities and work as vendor for the LSP program in the following manner:

* analyze LSP program fulfillment and reporting requirements,
* create response outline and framework,
* develop tools and measures to gather evidence, data, and narrative components, and
* compile and edit fulfillment and reporting documents for review and submission.

The Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO) is considering a proposal from CCL to use the $1.5 million in LSP funds that are not allocated to the Ex Libris contract or staffing support. The hope is to keep the funds for use centrally instead of having them distributed directly to the colleges. The LSP Task Force will recommend that the LSP Governance Committee make recommendations regarding LSP policies and spending, specifically OCLC, EZ Prozy, and LibKey.

CCL President (John Taylor), Executive Director (Gregg Atkins) and Library Consortium Director (Amy Mickelson-Beadle) met with staff from the Foundation for California Community Colleges to discuss preparations for a CCCCO plan to use the Foundation to negotiate the new Ex Libris contract (beginning 01/01/24). The CCCCO cannot hold a contract, but the Foundation has informed us that there is a state law that allows the Foundation to hold contracts for the CCCCO and that is how the ExLibris contract will be held. It will still be funded through the Rancho Santiago CCD. Oversight will be shared between the Foundation and the LSP---Foundation for legal and other high-level issues and LSP will be responsible for daily maintenance, problem resolution and working-level oversight.

**Statewide Database Contract**

Update on EBSCO Contract Status---At the start of the semester, CCL surveyed the CCC library field to gauge interest in issuance of an RFP for the statewide database purchase and to recruit participants for the RFP review team. CCL and the CCC Tech Center (Butte District) put together the team to issue the RFP. Four librarians volunteered to work through the RFP and presentation scoring to reach a unanimous decision on the recipient of the award. On November 8, the District sent out a notice that it “intends to award the contract to EBSCO Information Services, LLC, subject to approval by the District’s Board of Trustees on December 14, 2022. This Notice of Intent to Award should not be considered as a binding commitment by the District. No such commitment may ensue until a formal contract has been signed by both parties.”

**Community College Library Consortium (joint project of CCL and the Community College League of California)**

After conversations with the ASCCC OERI committee, the Consortium is in discussions with vendors on possible textbook licensing.

**ACCJC Proposed Accreditation Standards**

CCL had a lengthy conversation at their October meeting with Catherine Webb, ACCJC vice president, and shared feedback on the role of the library in the draft accreditation standards. There is concern that the current draft does not adequately reflect the way that the library supports equity and student success. Additionally, the library (academic support service) has been grouped together with counseling (student support service), creating challenges for colleges writing their self-evaluations.

**Deans & Directors Meeting (March 23-24, 2023)**

There is an intent to hold a Leadership 101 seminar workshop (morning before meeting starts on March 23) for those interested in future CCC library management positions. Eric Hanson (Library Director, Glendale College) has previously taught this course and will assist with updating the content, which is in Canvas.

The Leadership & Profession Development Committee (planners of the Directors/Deans meeting) discussed having a panel of DEI/Equity librarians on a panel.

Ideas for Speakers:

* Megan Oakleaf
* Psychology of Disinformation
* Algorithmic Bias (Safiya Noble)

The committee also discussed the possibility of getting a speaker is from the CSU Chancellor’s Office (or one of the CSU campuses) to report on CSU Libraries are doing for the new CSU Ethnic Studies requirement.