

OCALD Membership Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2022, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Agenda

Jon opened the meeting and asked everyone to enter their name and institution in the Google Doc for attendance.

- Link to Google Doc for attendance – posted in chat:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1O9vV2giPhfrOR4IrqdZdR6WM5-g3DU0XtiluW56eR7Q/edit?usp=sharing>

Introductions – Jon Goodell, Chair

Jon introduced the officers and guests in attendance.

Members:

- Melissa Huffman, Rose State College
- Nancy Draper, Randall University
- Jon Goodell, OSU-CHS
- Kaitlin Crotty, Rogers State University
- Victoria Swinney, Oklahoma City University
- Ona Lou Britton-Spears, Connors State College
- Jane Malcolm, Oral Roberts University
- Michael Jones, NSU
- Elizabeth Szkirpan, TU
- Lynn Wallace, OSU-Tulsa Library
- Paula Settoon, Tulsa Community College
- Jenny Duncan, OSU Institute of Technology
- Shannon Leaper, NWOSU
- Dana Belcher, ECU
- Ann Raia, OCCC
- Marsha Kendrick, MACU
- Maria Haefflinger, Family of Faith Christian University
- Habib Tabatabai, UCO library
- Caitlin Corbett, Langston University (attending for Dr. Emily Patterson Harris)
- Pamela Louderback, NSU-Broken Arrow
- Barbara Pickthorn, Cameron
- Denise Stephens, University of Oklahoma-Norman
- Karen Haught, College of the Muscogee Nation
- Sheila Johnson, OSU-Stillwater
- Tony Hardman, Panhandle State University
- Elaine Regier, OSU-OKC

Advisors:

- Dr. Debbie Blanke, OSRHE
- Brad Griffith, OSRHE

Approval of minutes of last meeting – Elaine Regier, Secretary

Victoria Swinney moved to approve the minutes of the February meeting. Dana Belcher made the second, and the minutes were approved.

OCALD Executive Committee Report

The committee met with two members of the Archives Committee and determined the need to meet with the OSU archivist for better direction.

Jon asked members to share potential topics for future meetings.

Committee Reports and Discussions

- By-Laws, Joy Summers-Ables – no report
- Cooperative Library Services and Standards, Jason Dupree – no report
- OK-Share, Stewart Brower – no report
- Website updates, Elaine Regier – Minutes for the December meeting are posted.
- Cooperative Collection Development & Resource Sharing, Victoria Swinney and Stewart Brower (co-chairs) – They are still waiting for the RFP to be posted. The committee will probably work on this during the summer.
- Archives, Jenny Duncan – David Peters is the archivist on the Stillwater campus. Discussions with him will help the committee move forward, but he is retiring soon. Nancy Draper said that when this group started it was Metro Net. She won the front of a mailbox and wondered if the committee would want it. Jenny is hopeful that David will help with reviewing purpose and intent. Once this is determined, the committee will be able to answer Nancy's question.

OSRHE Report - Dr. Debbie Blanke

Dr. Blanke reported that the department is watching legislation. The budget may be optimistic, but reduced enrollments may affect it.

Brad reported on two items.

1. Project grants for OCO member institutions are now available. These grants include three levels and are designed for using the Pressbooks platform. Brad meets with applicants individually. Several interest forms have been submitted involving very different subject areas. The interest forms are from Murry State College, OSU-OKC, and Tulsa Community College. An additional form involves a joint project between OSU and Rogers State. Topics include earth science, physical science, English composition, and disability studies.
2. The Learning Innovations Summit takes place each Friday in April. It utilizes Zoom Events and allows concurrent events.
 - a. <https://summit.ocolearnok.org>

As part of the summit, there is a special event session to discuss the project grants. Brad is willing to meet individually.

ODL Report – Melody Kellogg – no report

Announcements/Institutional Updates - In addition to oral reports, please send institutional update summaries to Elaine Regier to help with the minutes (elaine.regier@okstate.edu).

Kaitlin Crotty, Rogers State University

- Received an anonymous donation of \$50,000 to facilitate building upgrades
 - Replace older carpet with carpet tiles
 - Update old furniture
 - Hoping for leftover funds to remodel the current instruction room into more of an instruction lab with appropriate tables and laptops for students to borrow.

- All departments are to plan for a 10% budget reduction. Most of this reduction would come from the resources budget and would negatively impact students, faculty, and staff. Faculty members have rallied around the library.
- The second annual Creative Showcase opens on Monday. Students, faculty, staff, and alumni were invited to submit entries of any medium suiting a theme of celebrating diversity. They currently have 32 entries, which is more than last year.
- Therapy dogs are scheduled during finals week.

Dana Belcher, East Central University

- Finishing the final collection orders for the fiscal year
- EBSCO FOLIO migration is about 97% complete
- Native American-Serving Nontribal Institutions (NASNTI) grant is providing \$84,000 to the library this year
 - \$26,000 instruction room upgrade to Active Learning Center
 - \$13,000 to upgrade the digital humanities lab
 - \$30,000 to renovate an existing office into a recording studio
 - Plan to have elders read children's books in their native language and tie this into their sign language program. Three native languages are taught on campus.
- Personnel cuts – losing two full-time staff

Habib Tabatabai, University of Central Oklahoma

- The library has multiple open positions including Director of Research and User Engagement and Emerging and Immersive Technology Librarian.

Elaine Regier, Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City

- New AVPAA is Amber Hefner. She has been at OSU-OKC for a long time.
- Renovations going! Moving the circulation desk, creating new seating area, furniture ordered. Exciting!

Melissa Huffman, Rose State College

- Staff Art Display
- Retiring July 1
- Chris Meyer, Dean, Learning Resource Center, is also retiring.

Barbara Pickthorn, Cameron University

- Students are enjoying the new renovations.
- Atrium at front of library with coffee shop
- Study pods and rooms
- Moving stacks to provide more space between units

Denise Stephens, University of Oklahoma-Norman

- Hoping to raise \$50,000 for the library through the fourth annual giving day
- Now have a Senior Development Officer
- Working to establish fundraising priorities
- Looking at key performance indicators to measure success
- Long-term issues = expertise gap, under staffed
- Residency program for strategic expertise

Jane Malcolm, Oral Roberts University

- Mark Roberts is on sabbatical and has accepted a full time teaching position in the College of Theology and Ministry.
- The Dean vacancy is not posted yet.
- Have an open reference librarian position
- New building is going up soon. Could move in as early as summer 2023. It will be the John D. McKean Library.
- Analyzing collection for weeding. The new library will have less space for books. The current collection includes about 260,000; the new space will hold about 60,000-70,000.

Ona Britton-Spears, Connors State College

- Completed the OCLC Reclamation Project
- Enrollment is down 11%
- Difficulty getting students to come into the library
- Completed preliminary OER guide
- Finished Aggie Day
- Received a grant for Computer Science Program E-Sports

Sheila Johnson, Oklahoma State University-Stillwater

- Hired two new archivists
- Recruiting head of archives to replace David Peters and an assistant head of access services
- Awarded 43 scholarships for next academic year. Donors funded the \$43,000 to assist student library assistants.
- OSU initiated a raise program effective 12.1; first one since 2016.
- No details yet on budget and possible shortfalls; probably won't know until legislative session ends
- Recent digitization projects include the following.
 - Indian Laws and Treaties (1990s) is one of the most popular collections.
 - <https://treaties.okstate.edu/>
 - Originally a digitization project in the 1990's, Kappler's search capabilities were not up to date. Using funds totaling \$70,000 from the USDA and the Department of the Interior, Juliana Nykolaiszyn's team reformatted it for better searching and usability. They contracted with an indexer who created a 16,000 plus-word index. Treaties in the database are linked to the Smithsonian's online copies of the handwritten original texts. They are requesting funding to extend the tribal database.
- The Jack and Maxine Zarrow family donated a collection of Native American art for which they have completed an online album of the art with descriptors created by their metadata team. They used open access software from the University of Idaho. They are now working on another online art album of more than 1200 pieces of Native American Art from the Charles Little collection.
 - <https://zarrow.library.okstate.edu/>
- They are building out a searchable database of the vitas of OSU faculty, researchers and extension specialists.
- Students can use a large format printer to create posters for class work or research presentations without fees due to the generosity of a donor.
- They are developing plans to renovate the Archives space.

Lynn Wallace, Oklahoma State University-Tulsa

- The library has been housed in the old bookstore building for about four years. Roof has been repaired.
- Working on a major weeding project to remove about 30,000 items.
- They hope to be back in the main hall before the beginning of the summer semester.

- Lost two paraprofessional positions last spring and have not replaced them.
- Things looking up for the fall semester.
- Working on strategic planning

Elizabeth Szkirpan, for Adrian Alexander, University of Tulsa

- They are looking for a new courier. There have been issues with Trans-Amigos Express - lost items, late deliveries, and more.
- Hosting Susan Orlean (author of *The Library Book*) for the Fellows Speaker Series

Victoria Swinney, Oklahoma City University

- Successfully hosted an HLC accreditation visit February 28-March 1
- Inauguration festivities are underway for Kenneth Evans, new president. He started July 2021, but inauguration was delayed due to Covid.
- New provost, Michelle Kiec, begins July 1.
- Hired a Learning Enhancement Supervisor
- Searching for an Interlibrary Loan Specialist

Michael Jones, Northwestern State University-Tahlequah

- Launched digital collections page on the NSU website hosted by Ubiquity Press. It includes some archival images and theses and hope to have faculty uploading their work.
- Planning the Green Country Children's Book Festival in October. They hope to host 800 students from area schools in Grades 4-5. A grant from Tahlequah Community Development pays for promotional materials, and a \$15,000 grant from the NSU Foundation Board covers author costs and the purchase of one book per child. Sarah Whittle is leading the project.

Jon Goodell, Oklahoma State University-Center for Health Sciences

- Sonja Settle was promoted from Medical Librarian to Manager, Medical Library on the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine at the Cherokee Nation Campus effective April 1.
- Recruiting Research Services Librarian to support medical student biomedical literature-based research projects at the Cherokee Nation Campus.

Pamela Louderback, Northwestern State University

- Received an ALA grant last month to create cultural events and OER material

New Business – None

The meeting adjourned about 2:15.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Regier