

LIBRARIANS AND ARCHIVISTS' STEWARDS COMMITTEE MEETING

February 18, 2026, 9:30-11 am Weldon Room M22 and Zoom

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Present: Courtney Waugh, Alie Visser, Kristi Thompson, Bobby Glushko, Jennifer Robinson, Leslie Boisvert, Yasmeen Hakooz, Bethany Taylor, Tolga Karabulut, David Heap

Note Taker: Kristi

Notes:

Guests:

Regrets: Zack

Approval of Agenda: Approved

Approval of Notes: [January 21, 2026](#)

Business Arising from Previous Meeting:

1. Library Forum - follow up (Jennifer)

Librarians and Archivists will form a small group to discuss what “research enterprise” means to the Library. Questions were raised around how the institution is defining “research enterprise” but no clear response was given.

Jennifer will follow up with Matt in regards to next steps.

Biannual report review: question around non-librarian SLT member’s role in providing feedback on BRR reviews and ratings.

2. UWOFA-LA Town Hall - Confirmed March 3rd, 1:00-2:30 in Taylor Instruction Room
Stewards will remind members and encourage them to attend in person.

3. Job Descriptions Check-In

No updates.

4. Updated Librarians and Archivists Stewards Council Policy and By-law (pending membership approval)

Committee is now a council; there will be a formal election process hosted by the UWOFA office; Chief Steward will be on the UWOFA Board of Directors.

Standing Agenda Items:

- 1. User Experience and Student Engagement (Jennifer):**
- 2. Teaching and Learning (Bobby):**
- 3. Research and Scholarly Communications and FIMS (Kristi):**
- 4. Collections Management, Discovery and Access (Alie):**
- 5. Archives and Special Collections (Zack):**
- 6. Members Services Officer Report (Lina & Tolga):** No grievances to report
- 7. Senate Observer (Elizabeth):** See summary provided.
- 8. Joint Committee Report (Shawn/Leslie)** Technology working group will become a standing committee / working group. Structure unclear.
Question about having a permanent librarian member appointed by role - would this be workload or service?
Concerns around campus safety are under discussion as well.
- 9. Board of Directors (Courtney) -**
CAUT Deep Organizing Pilot Program - money available, potentially available to UWOFA-LA.
Pension bargaining goal survey concluded, bargaining goals still in discussion.
- 10. Communications Officer (Bethany):**
Bargaining goals will go to a vote shortly.
- 11. Mobilization Report (David):**
CAUT is developing tools to help in bargaining process; shadowing associations to learn how it is being done. OCUFA already working in this manner to develop tools and support.
Faculty SAC forming in May; Librarians encouraged to join both to help and to learn. Last round had faculty/librarian co-chairs who continued across both bargaining rounds which worked well.

Units Summary:

Messaging from SLT to rethink teaching to move from a disciplinary to generalist approach. Seems to have pulled back; mixed messaging from SLT.

Positions

Have been informed that archivist position will be filled as part of the Brescia integration; timing unclear.

Vacation Reporting

Question raised on vacation reporting; no update.

New Business:

1. LASC Board Report for February 27th

Next meeting: March 18 , 2026

Note-taking roster for upcoming meetings:

Kristi Thompson – February
Zack MacDonald – March
Bobby Glushko – April
Jennifer Robinson – May
Alie Visser -