# Report of the Senate Library Committee, 2020-21 Submitted by Jaime Orr (Librarian and SLC Chair) on 26 April, 2021

### **Committee Members:**

Heather Milne (Humanities); Srimathie Indraratne (Sciences); Kimberley Ducey (Social Sciences); Donna Copsey Haydey (Member-at-Large); Matt Dyce (Member-at-Large, not Librarian); Jaime Orr (Librarian); Brett Lougheed (Librarian); Gabrielle PreFontaine (Dean of the Library); Glenn Moulaison (Dean); Valerie Bermudez (UWSA Senator)

As per the Senate Standing Rules, the duties of the Senate Library Committee (SLC) are:

- to provide advice and make recommendations concerning Library policy to the Dean of Libraries
- for greater certainty, to recommend academic policy to the Dean of Libraries, including ways in which the budgetary resources available to the Libraries might be allocated most effectively from an academic perspective
- J. Orr on behalf of SLC submitted the following recommended changes to the Senate Standing Rules Committee on February 4, 2021:
  - To provide advice and make recommendations to the Dean of the Library concerning library policy, services and collections.
  - To recommend library updates or motions to take to Senate for information or approval.

#### The SLC met twice:

## 24 November 2020 Meeting

- B. Selman provided a presentation concerning the university's repository, Winnspace. She noted that Winnspace is an important resource for the university's compliance with open access, adding that since the pandemic, it has been of greater importance as it facilitates online teaching and learning. She advised that a presentation should be provided to Senate to allow for further campus-wide awareness of the service. On a motion duly moved and seconded:
  - It was RESOLVED THAT a short presentation on Winnspace be provided to Senate, for information.
  - o B. Selman presented at Senate on Tuesday, December 22, 2020.
- B. Selman provided a presentation on the concept of fraudulent journals, often referred to as predatory journals, and her role in assisting Faculty with avoiding such publications.
- J. Orr put her name forward for Committee Chair, and an election was called for more nominations
  - J. Orr won by acclamation

# 8 April 2021 Meeting

- G. Prefontaine presented a high level update of the Library Renewal update, noting the stage of design development. The committee discussed aspects of the update including space and programming implications. The update was received for information.
- The Committee identified a number of topics for discussion/presentation at future meetings including open access, maintaining the physical collection in anticipation of the Library renewal, journal conspectus reports, and open access.

Thanks are expressed to Brianne Selman and Gabrielle Prefontaine for their respective presentations on the Library Renewal and Winnspace. Further, much appreciation is expressed to Paula Hossack for her continued strong administrative support to the SLC.