

# Staff Advisory Group Meeting Notes

October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021

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## Presenters:

Ward, Deborah: Interim Vice Provost for Libraries | Merz, David: SAG Chair | Peters, Kathy: Ast. Dir Business | Hutchinson, Corrie, Associate University Librarian for Acquisitions, Collections, & Technical Services | Pryor, Christina: Interim Assistant Director, Library Operations | Pryor, Steven: Digital Scholarship Librarian, Interim Digital Services Head | Nell, Amanda (Mizzou Career Center): Sr. Student Service Coordinator

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## Welcome

## Admin report:

### Kathy Peters: facilities and other misc. business updates

- Ellis will have a delayed opening time of 4pm on Sun, Oct 24 due to a water outage.
  - Restrooms and sinks will be available after library doors open on Sunday, but fountain water will NOT be available until Tuesday; **Bring your own water/beverages on Monday if you work in Ellis**
- Study carrel/cages in West stack will be moved out
  - Deb added: Grad students can now use what used to be faculty offices for private study.
- Cast gallery will move to library Room 202 early March from Mizzou North
  - Consider using the student fees toward furnishing area surrounding the casts
  - Hope to provide more furniture options suitable for quiet study, individual study, and creating an inviting environment
  - Deb added: Meeting regarding the security of the statues will be held next week.
  - Q&A
    - Marie: I thought they were still seeking a donor, So the casts are coming whether or not there are funds, right?
    - Kathy: Yes, casts will be coming to library.
- Retired furniture and where to buy them for personal use
  - Contact Mizzou [surplus](#) if you are interested in purchasing retired furniture.
  - Can probably pick up from the library if you can arrange pickup quickly after purchasing through surplus. Be aware they must be moved out from the library building quickly and library cannot hold them for you.
  - Get contact with surplus early. Last set of card catalog cabinets were sold so quickly.
- Don't forget Open Enrollment – time to make changes. Please remember to review plans.

## Deb Ward

Continuing to normalize and turn towards operational issues beyond rapid responses to COVID. MUHC, HSL and VML are continuing masking policy.

- **OA Week next week**, and we all appreciate the workshops to be presented in its honor. (And today!)

- **Archives offices move** to begin Nov 15, (if you haven't seen the [Show Me Mizzou article](#), it's worth the time),
- **HSL update.** Shelving being installed for small collection on second floor, continued removal of collection from third, planning project for a renovated second floor continues.
- **Student Success proposals** (e-collections and wayfinding in Ellis proposals are under development), and those proposals are due in early November.
- **Space Survey open to public and being promoted**, to gather input from users regarding how they want to see library spaces develop, and what they want to use them for.
  - This is in anticipation of space master planning, the timing for which is being discussed at LMT. The challenge is fitting together our service planning considerations with space master planning, knowing that we must emphasize flexibility. Goal is to create a plan that will guide us as we move collections, renovate the West Stacks, and determine where collections and services need to be located in relationship to one another, and where services should be provided for the best user experience.
  - We're pausing at LMT to discuss how best to do this before we commit to a firm time to begin Master Planning, but a general target is sometime early in 2022.
- **Comments of faculty regarding journal cuts.** Thanks to those of you who helped gather and synthesize these comments. I sent them to Matt Martens and discussed, and these basically were considered a relatively minor concern in light of the larger emphasis on campus priorities for growth areas. We need to continue using ILL and working with groups who are willing to help fund resources. Disappointing, not what we want to hear, but it gives us a realistic view of campus-wide priorities.
- **In my view, this reality highlights the need for us to further develop resilience.** Times change, the economic climate is difficult for the campus leadership, who are making hard choices that they believe will contribute to a stronger Mizzou. Our choice is to get on board with this and do the best we can with the resources that we do have. I know it isn't what you want to hear, but I do think it is the reality of higher education generally. We need to demonstrate that we're doing the best we can to adapt to change and provide value for the resources we're given.
- **Search for VML Head launched. Ads are out. Position is posted. Committee is forming.**
  - We have posted to a number of list serves and we welcome suggestions for additional ones. I understand that there were questions posed yesterday about the search, and why it was posted as a Librarian I or II. The reason for that is that the last two hires at VML were at the Librarian I or Librarian II level. This provides for the person to continue to develop expertise in veterinary medical librarianship, while advancing through the system, with the opportunity for raises. We want to welcome new talent to our profession and not require years of experience for every position. The salary range posted is consistent with peer salaries, and it has room for growth and negotiation. We fully intend to seek input from MULAC regarding the selected candidate's level, as this is our practice. I hope this addresses your concerns.
  - Q &A:
    - Q: Can a Librarian I supervise?
    - A: Yes. We also have classified staff who supervise. Librarian rank is not a determining factor for being a supervisor.

#### Chris Pryor: updates on the 24/7 pickup lockers

- Launched in two locations: Ellis and Medical Science building; 17 lockers/units available
- Only for regular library items pickup (not including equipment, ILL or reserved items)

- When items are put into the locker for pickup, they are already checked out to the users for 3 days; after 3 days items will be moved back to circulation for pickup.
- Read more details in [news hub post](#)
- Admin will monitor usage of these lockers

## Corrie Hutchinson: updates on FOLIO

- Just created our instance
- The first thing of implementation is to load inventory, then to load users. Then move to circulation, and finally to address acquisition.
- Timeline: go live in mid-May, running together with Sierra for two months; Shut off Sierra July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022
- Production environment in Spring 2021. Will invite people to share feedback
- FOLIO is more flexible and adaptive compared to Sierra.
- Had a meeting with EBSCO regarding EDS (EBSCO Discovery Service)
- Currently cleaning catalogs – we are not going to migrate unwanted records
- Historical Society will have their own instance in FOLIO
- Ernest Shaw added in the chat:
  - Folio is API first. So, it has much promise.
  - Everything that is done in folio has the API written first, then the UX or connector is written to use that API.
  - It is the opposite of Sierra.
  - Sorry, VERY excited about that 😊
- Q&A
  - Q1: With Folio looming larger on the horizon, what contingences are in place for the lockers?
  - Taylor (answered in chat): On the Folio and lockers question: I can answer that based on my part in the setup. Things should hopefully be a little easier in Folio, hopefully! We had to make some concessions and changes (like the hold pickup location names) due to the limitations of Sierra.
  - Q 2: Will Folio make it possible for records at State Historical Society to look normal?
  - Taylor (answered in chat): The State Historical thing is a scoping issue (they are partially scoped to MU and partially to SHS), & iii wanted to charge several thousand to re-scope to just SHS. SHS will have their own EDS, so, yeah. It'll be fixed.

## Program:

### *Open Access at MU:*

Steven Pryor

[See Slides](#) (link to file in Teams)

### *Spotlight Series: Career Center Services*

Amanda Nell

- <https://mizzoucareertools.campuscareerinnovations.com/>
- Wanted to introduce people the resources and tools Career Center provides
  - Searchable resources in one page

- Under career interests: New and dynamic contents added on monthly base
- Developed content for specific group of students: Identity and class year
- There is a page for faculty and staff!