The Senate Committee on Libraries (SCL) met eight times during the 2016-17 academic year. It has addressed several issues during this past academic year:

1. In accordance with the Committee's continuing desire to promote and sustain the financial health of the university's Libraries, it devoted considerable time to crafting and presenting to the VP Academic a request for an urgent review of the libraries' acquisitions budget. This was submitted 28 February 2017 and responded to by the VP Academic on 18 April 2017. Both the committee and the VP Academic expressed their joint commitment to sustaining the mission of the Libraries in challenging times.

2. The Committee prepared a draft "Statement on Open Access Policy". It hopes to revisit and finalize this statement during the present academic year, in the anticipation of establishing clear and viable guidelines for ensuring that the university's researchers are able to present their research findings to the widest possible public in the most affordable and responsible manner – all in accordance with guidelines mandated by the principal national funding agencies.

3. Several Committee members had the pleasure and privilege of also serving on the university committee which unanimously and successfully recommended Jonathan Bengtson's reappointment to a second term as University Librarian.

4. The Committee received reports on the Hosting and Preserving Services for Grant-Funded Research Projects (Lisa Goddard), the Libraries' Guidelines on Conduct (Shailoo Bedi), the present state of the libraries' participation in the Canadian Knowledge Research Network (CKRN; Lisa Petrachenko), the Digital Scholarship Commons (Lisa Goddard), and Digital Preservation Framework (Corey Davis). The Committee is grateful to all four presenters for their hard work and commitment to the many communities served by the university Libraries.

Finally, the SCL continues to delight in the associated accomplishments of UVic Libraries, their staff, and the university community at large. I cannot conclude this report without expressing the Committee's gratitude to outgoing chair Dale Ganley, who provided clear-sighted and energetic leadership during an unusually busy and productive year in its life.
Membership

During the 2016-17 academic year, the Senate Committee on Libraries (SCL) comprised the following members:

**Faculty Representatives**

Dale Ganley, Business (Chair)
Miranda Angus, Continuing Studies
Paul Bramadat, Council for Centre Directors
Kathy Sanford, Education
Venkatesh Srinivasan, Engineering
Patricia Kostek, Fine Arts
Andre Kushniruk, Human & Social Dev
Simon Devereaux, Humanities
Elena Pnevmonidou, Humanities
Robert Howell, Law
Daniel Brendle-Moczuk, Libraries
Leigh Anne Swayne, Medical Sciences
Tom Fyles, Science
Jamie Lawson, Social Sciences
Michelle Brown, UVic Students' Society
David Eso, Graduate Students' Society

**Ex-officio members**

Jonathan Bengtson, University Librarian
Lisa Petrachenko, Associate University Librarian, Learning & Research Resources
Lisa Goddard, Associate University Librarian, Digital Scholarship & Strategy
Kim Nayyer, Associate University Librarian, Law
t.b.d. (President's nominee)
Wency Lum, Chief Information Officer
Sheila Cresswell, Secretary, University Librarian's Office

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Simon Devereaux, Chair, SCL (2017-18)