UW-Madison Libraries Open Access Working Group Charge

Issues

- Federal mandates for public access will require the institution to provide a mechanism for storage, discovery and accessibility of campus articles and data.
- Providing public accessibility to articles and data may require modifications to publishing / copyright transfer agreements that should be consistent across campus.
- A campus wide collaborative approach to publication and data management will help ensure broad compliance with looming public access requirements
- Author retention of ownership and usage rights to scholarly output allows for board maximum use in open education and research.
- Current publishing and dissemination practices of many publishers create boundaries to reuse that limit scientific progress and perpetuate disparities in access to the scholarly literature, images, data and teaching resources.

Mandate

The OAWG is charged with:

- Collect background information
 - o Reviewing existing academic open access policies
 - Determine current campus or UW System requirements for author agreements and copyright
 - Work with legal services to determine policy and legal requirements that must be met by the policy
 - o Impact of OA policy of campus collection development and acquisitions
 - Impact of OA policy on library or campus services
- Draft open access policies for campus authors that include:
 - Set of open access policy recommendations
 - Addendum to publication/copyright transfer agreements
 - o Scope of the University License
 - o Repository deposit requirement
 - Opt-out provisions
- Communicate the plan to faculty and key stakeholders
- Determine faculty support through:
 - o Surveys
 - o Focus Groups
 - o Department meetings
 - Other
- Implementation considerations:
 - o Convene a workshop to discuss open access policies

o Identify resources needed and expected costs to support an OA policy

Term

- The OAWG will begin meeting in fall 2014.
- OAWG will continue to meet at least monthly until their work (see Mandate) is completed or passed on to another library or campus committee

Reporting

• The Open Access Working Group will report to the Vice Provost for Libraries and University Librarian.

Membership

- The Chair of the University Library Committee will serve as the chair of the OAWG.
- The membership of OAWG will include representatives from:
 - o GLS Executive Committee Doug Way
 - o Non-GLS librarian Julie Schneider
 - o Life or physical sciences Karl Broman, Eneida Mendonca
 - o Arts or Humanities Martin Foys
 - o DoIT or CIO's office Alan Wolf
 - o Repository representative -- Brianna Marshall
- The member from the sciences or the humanities should be a researcher.

Committee Support

- Expertise consultation with legal services, research & sponsored programs or other support/expertise will be sought on campus as needed.
- GLS office staff or members of the committee will provide limited secretarial, logistical and project support to the group if needed.
- Additional support requests will be submitted to the GLS Executive Committee for review.