Committee Name: Committee on Research & Scholarly Activity (CRSA)
Committee Chair: Sharon Riley 2017-19
Fiscal Year: 2016 - 2017

Standing Charges: 3.3.9.1 The Committee on Research and Scholarly Activities in keeping with the Libraries’ mission, shall encourage, promote, and support research and scholarly activities of the members of the Library Faculty and Professionals Assembly.

3.3.9.2 The Committee on Research and Scholarly Activities shall establish and review, on an annual basis, guidelines for the disbursement of funds received from the Dean of Libraries for scholarly pursuits. The Committee on Research and Scholarly Activities shall allocate these funds based on those guidelines. The Committee on Research and Scholarly Activities shall also administer the University’s General Research Funds based on the established criteria.

3.3.9.3 The Committee on Research and Scholarly Activities shall be composed of five members of the Library Faculty and Professionals Assembly, appointed by the Executive Committee, three of whom have the requirement to engage in research and scholarly activities as part of their professional assignment. A reasonable effort will be made to appoint members who represent the various ranks of faculty as well as the different units of the Libraries.

3.3.9.4 The appointed members shall serve two-year overlapping terms and shall select a presiding officer and a recording secretary.

Standing Charges Progress Summary (please include progress and/or accomplishments related to Standing Charges):
CRSA approved 17 Library Research Funds (LRF) awards and used the full total of LRF funds: $5400. We supported:

Beth Whittaker (Professional indexer for New Directions in Special Collections book), Becky Schulte (Registration for their session at 2016 Mountain-Plains Museum Assoc Annual Conference), Amalia Monroe-Gulick (Poster Printing - Proj forMetrics for Budget Requests to Provost and purchase of Poster Case for any Lib poster presentations.), Musa Olaka (Registration for Africana Librarians Council (ALC) Washington, DC, and Poster Printing and Presentation at "Libraries Serving Refugees and Asylum Seekers Summit", Chicago IL), Greta Valentine (Registration for ACRL March 22-25 to co-present paper with Brian Moss), Angie Rathmel (Registration for ACRL March 22-25 to continue research on connections between technical and public services and continue ACRLog writing topics),
**Betsaida Reyes** (Registration to attend the Southwest Council of Latin American Studies (SCOLAS) to present a paper), **Brian Moss** (Registration for ACRL March 22-25 to co-present paper with Greta Valentine), **Rebecca Orozco** (Registration for ACRL March 22-25 to do a panel presentation and Registration for LOEX in Lexington, KY, May 11-13, 2017 to present "Creating a Data Posse" at the Conference.), **Callie Branstiter** (Transcriptionist for Focus groups to assess international student needs), **Becky Schulte** (Registration to present at the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section conference in Iowa City, IA), **Jon Giullian** (Registration for ALA (committee chair), **Sara Morris** (Registration to present at IFLA International News Media Conference, Reykjavick), **Karna Younger** (Registration for LOEX in Lexington, KY, May 11-13, 2017 to present "Creating a Data Posse" at the Conference.), **Nate Chamberlain** (To attend and present at SharePoint Fest Annual Conference in Seattle, WA)

We received two GRF applications and the committee decided to split the award amount between the two applicants: (We used the total of the GRF award amount - $6044)

- Becky Schulte - Discovery, Digitization and Management of Jayhawk files.
- Brian Rosenblum and Betsaida Reyes - Digital Scholarship, Mexico, Migration, Immigration, Latinos in Midwest, Collection Development, Railroad History.

**Special Charges:** While CRSA had no special charges this year, we noted that last year’s committee had $2500 in un-used LRF funds and only one application for GRF. We made a concerted effort to advertise the funds often this year, giving frequent updates on amounts remaining, and together with the Organizational Development unit, sponsored five Research Sharing forums. At each of the forums we discussed how CRSA could help faculty with their research needs. We re-iterated how we could provide funding for: conference registration to present research, poster printing, duplication, scanning, transcription services, and any other costs related to presenting and disseminating scholarly research.

Faculty and UPS that presented at the Library Research Sharing forums included: Josh Bolick, Scott Hanrath, Lars Leon, Karen Cook, Tami Albin, Betsaida Reyes, Fran Devlin, Jon Giullian, Sara Morris, Rhonda Houser, Whitney Baker, Brian Moss, Greta Valentine, Rebecca Orozco

OD also had a session on IRB approval with Jocelyn Isley (IRB Coordinator) for those doing research with human subjects.

**Special Charges Progress Summary:** We felt the committee was successful in awarding the full amounts of both funds prior to the end of the fiscal year. We felt this charge went hand-in-hand with colleagues getting to learn more about one another’s research, which will hopefully also lead to more future collaborations.

**Recommendations:** None at this time

**Potential charges for future Committees:** No recommendations at this time

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