

Dalhousie Libraries Scholarly Resources Management Group (SRMG)
Annual Report to Library Council 2018/2019

Membership:

- Ann Barrett (AUL Scholarly Communications & Head of Kellogg Library)
- Linda Clark (Assistant Law Librarian)
- Allison Fulford (International Student Services Librarian / Librarian for Engineering, Architecture & Planning, Sexton Library)
- Heather MacFadyen (Resources Management Librarian)
- Erin MacPherson (Research & Instruction Librarian, MacRae Library)
- Michelle Paon, Chair (Interim AUL Resources & Head of Sexton Library)
- Sarah Stevenson (AUL Research Services, Head of Killam Library)

Note: Since February 2019, Collections Analysis Librarian Kirsten Huhn has attended SRMG meetings as a guest. In its revised terms of reference, SRMG has added the Collections Analysis Librarian to the SRMG membership.

Key Activities:

- SRMG met five times: October 2, November 26, February 14, March 19, April 12; with a sixth meeting scheduled for late May 2019.
- Revised the SRMG terms of reference.
- Based on a multi-team review of the Journal Unbundling data and the newly-released 2019 consortial pricing, the decision was made to renew the Cambridge University Press and Oxford University Press journal packages with no changes to the subscriptions.
- Launched a new pre-approval process for license renewals on the System-wide Electronic Access Fund (EAF) and reviewed the first set of renewals using this process during the April meeting.
- Engaged in discussions regarding the perceived benefits as well as potential risks posed by the patron-driven acquisition (PDA) model of Kanopy streaming video product. SRMG will monitor developments across the country with regard to potential funding models for this product.
- Discussed the process for adding gift orders/donor notes to Aleph records for donated items.
- Invited Resources Manager Alice Stover (Novanet Cataloguing Committee representative) to report to SRMG on Novanet initiatives regarding decolonizing description in cataloguing.

Upcoming business

- Update the collection assessment guidelines and template.
- In the coming months, an SRMG member will use Novanet listings to identify duplication / overlap of print journals between the Killam and Kellogg Libraries in an effort to consolidate holdings.