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# Official Minutes
# Senate Library Committee Meeting
# 04/21/2026

## Call To Order and Approval of Minutes

**Call to Order:** SLC Chair Kendra Dupuy called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:** The February 24, 2026 SLC minutes were approved electronically on March 3, 2026.

## Reports and Announcements

**Kendra Dupuy, Chair**

- There were no reports or announcements from the Chair.

**Madeline Kelly, Libraries Dean**

- The Libraries are open on Saturdays this year and the gate counts on Admitted Student Days were double those of usual Saturday. The Libraries have been included in the Admitted Student Day scavenger hunt.

- The Libraries' WELS questions have been updated and sent to OIE. Feedback from SLC was not possible due to the OIE deadline and the SLC meeting schedule. Exit survey questions include whether key Libraries services have been accessed and, if so, did they see any of four listed potential benefits. There is a follow-up question about why services were not accessed for students who answer "no." An open-ended question asks students who they would like Libraries to be "seen." After the first round of results are available (likely in Fall Quarter), this issue will be revisited with the Committee.

## Discussion Items

- **Subscriptions Review Update:** Mary Wegmann, Director of Collections, provided an update on the subscription review process. The feedback period ended on March 22,

and Libraries are current in the decision-making process. There were 60 valid survey respondents, which is an increase over previous years. The number of responses by department was reviewed. The review process should be finalized in mid- to late May, and results will be shared by the end of Spring Quarter through the subscription review site, emails to Faculty governance and departments, and University Communications channels.

- **Status of Recommendations from SLC 2024 Report:** The Chair and Dean reviewed the status of recommendations from the Fall 2024 Senate Library Committee Recommendation Report, which was based on a comprehensive survey to faculty.

    - Explore increased access to journals, databases, media, and eBooks for different disciplines – In Progress
    - Improve transparency and opportunities for stakeholder input around the subscription review process – In Progress
    - Increase writing and research support for faculty; this includes writing retreats for faculty – This academic year, there was a writing retreat and the Writing, Research and AI Fellows Program.
    - Identify gaps in staffing, such as in supporting distinctive collections – Nine positions have been lost since the report was issued, and it will be difficult to make substantial progress without additional resources
    - Continue ILL and Summit services - Completed
    - Increase research and writing tutor-embedded offerings to better support students' writing challenges – There have been embedded assistants across several departments/colleges and there is collaboration between the Tutoring Center and CBE to develop curriculum (at student request)

- Budget Presentations – Question about whether these should be done at SLC annually? Yes, either at May 19 meeting or at first meeting in Fall.

## Items from the Floor

- **Budget Presentation:** The Committee agreed that having regular budget presentations is useful and discussed whether to include one on the May 19 agenda or wait until the first meeting of the Fall Quarter.

- **Upcoming Events:** Committee members shared the following events:

    - Failure: A Love Story – April 23 - 25, PAC
    - Permanent Ink: Why We Still Love Print in the Digital Age – April 29, Wilson Reading Room
    - The coldharts present: Edgar Allen – May 2, Old Main Theater
    - Festival de la Vida (African-Caribbean Club and Latine Student Union) – May 2, VU MPR
    - Political Science Student Conference – May 12

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

# SLC Attendance
# 04/21/2026

| Voting Members | | | Non-Voting Members | | |
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| Jenny Oleen | Libraries | x | Madeline Kelly | Libraries Dean | x |
| Kendra Dupuy (Chair) | CHSS | x | Michael Wilder | Assistant Director, ATUS | x |
| Yasmine Elglaly | CSE | x | Mary Wegmann | Director, Collections | x |
| Hilary Schwandt | Fairhaven | -- | Shevell Thibou | Director, Teaching & Learning | x |
| Shuo Li | CBE | x | Ruth Steele | Interim Director, Archives & Special Collections | x |
| Patrick Buckley | CENV | -- | | | |
| Emmy Fincham | WCE | x | **Recorder** | | |
| Eva Gil | CFPA | x | Becky Johnston | Faculty Senate | x |
| Tim Bruce (Vice Chair) | Faculty Senate | x | | | |
| Aniyah Sterling | ASWWU Senate | x | **Guests** | | |
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| **Non-Voting Attendees** | 6 |
| **Total Attendees** | 14 |