College and University Section Report to NLA
October 2020

2020 C&U Section Officers:

Jayne Germer, Chair (Doane University)
Julie Pinnell, Chair-elect (Nebraska Wesleyan University)
Sherrie Dux-Ideus, Immediate Past Chair (Central Community College)
Sherrie Dux-Ideus, Secretary
Toni Anaya, ACRL Representative (UNL, resigned July 2020)
Brian Maass, ACRL Representative (UNMC, began August 2020)

The C&U Executive Board met online November 12, 2019, January 21, February 25, April 21, May 29 and August 3, 2020.

Committees and members for 2019-2020 were:

- Grants Committee: Linnea Fredrickson (UNL), Lorraine Patrick (Bellevue University) and Billie Cotterman (Nebraska Wesleyan)
- Nominating Committee: Monica Maher (UNO)
- Program Committee: Amy Schindler (UNO), David Arredondo (UNK) and Joyce Melvin (UNL)

The C&U Grants Committee did not receive any applications for any of the grants this year. Grant applications are due January 30 (Spring Professional Development Grant), March 15 (Research Grant) and June 30 (Fall Professional Development Grant). It is very likely the COVID-19 pandemic had an impact on the process since travel for professional development was suspended at most institutions. Omer Farooq (UNO) will replace Linnea Fredrickson on the committee in 2021.

Spring Meeting

The 2020 Spring Meeting was held jointly with the NLA Technical Services Round Table (TSRT) via Zoom on May 15. The theme was “Envisioning Possibilities: Embracing Change & Collaboration.” Ten presentations were made by C&U members: Pyramids, Outlines, Spiderwebs, and More: Strategies for Brainstorming
We had 140 individuals register for the event. No fees were charged for registration; therefore, C&U did not generate any income for the meeting.

The 2021 C&U Spring meeting is scheduled for May 14; it will be held virtually again. The current ACRL chair, Jon E. Cawthorne, will be the keynote speaker.

**Fall Meeting**

Since the NLA Fall Conference was canceled due to the pandemic, C&U worked with TSRT again to host a joint fall meeting via Zoom on Oct. 9, 2020. Presentations were selected from the proposals for the fall conference, and included the following from C&U members: *Creating Sustainable Online Learning Modules (It’s easier than you think.)* (Katie Bishop, Monica Maher and Heidi Blackburn); *Balancing Risk and Reward: Managing Demand-Driven Ebooks* (James Shaw); *Information Literacy: Librarian-Faculty Collaboration* (Rochelle Reeves, Dr. Diane Duffin and Dr. Jane Ziebarth-Bovill); *Primary Source Instruction and Creative Projects* (Amy Schindler, Mary Ellen Ducey and Laurinda Weisse); *Dismantling the Knowledgeopoly: An Open Research Future* (Kate Ehrig-Page); *Documenting COVID-19: Gathering Materials at UNO and in Omaha* (Lori Schwartz, Claire Du Laney, Carrie Meyer and Emma Sundberg); and *Grownup Play: Libraries Supporting Adult Cognitive, Emotional and Physical Health* (Melissa Cast-Breede).

We, again, had no income from this meeting as it was virtual. There were 59 registrants for this event.

**Distinguished Service Award**

No nominations were submitted for this award in 2020. It has been six years since the last award was given to someone. We will work to promote this more in 2021.