

News

ARL Transitions

Buffalo (SUNY): H. Austin Booth was named Vice Provost for University Libraries, effective August 5, 2011. She served as Interim Associate Vice President for University Libraries since June 1, 2010.

Cincinnati: Victoria Montavon announced her decision to step down as Dean and University Librarian in August 2012, when she will return to the library faculty.

Guelph: Mike Ridley announced that he will not seek reappointment as Chief Information Officer and Chief Librarian when his term ends January 1, 2012. He plans to return to the university in 2014 after an administrative/sabbatical leave.

National Library of Medicine (NLM): Joyce E. B. Backus was appointed Deputy Associate Director, Library Operations, and NLM representative to ARL, effective June 13, 2011. She was previously Deputy Chief, Public Services.

Oklahoma: Sul Lee announced that he will retire as Dean of University Libraries, effective June 30, 2012.

Queen's: Martha Whitehead was appointed University Librarian, effective July 1, 2011. She served as Interim University Librarian since July 2010.

Rochester: Mike Bell, Assistant Dean for Information Technology & Finance, and Katie Clark, Associate Dean for Public Services & Collection Development, were appointed Interim Co-Deans of River Campus Libraries, effective July 1, 2011. Katie Clark is the ARL member representative for Rochester.

Temple: Carol Lang, Assistant University Librarian for Organizational Development and Planning, was named Interim Dean of Libraries, effective August 1, 2011.

Washington in St. Louis: Shirley Baker announced her plans to retire as Vice Chancellor for Scholarly Resources and Dean of University Libraries, effective June 30, 2012.

ARL Staff Transitions

Tricia Donovan was promoted to Communications and Project Coordinator, effective June 13, 2011. She joined the ARL staff in June 2009 as an Administrative Assistant supporting ARL's strategic directions.

Yolanda Glass resigned as Administrative Assistant for Statistics and Assessment, effective July 15, 2011, to accept a position back home in California that builds upon her recent degree in graphic design from the Art Institute of Washington.

Charles B. Lowry, ARL Executive Director, announced his decision to retire at the end of December 2012.

Kristin Riccard completed her one-year appointment as ARL Law and Policy Fellow at the end of August 2011. Her fellowship was supported by her current employer, the Washington, DC, law firm Ropes & Gray.

Judy F. Ruttenberg has been appointed Program Director for Transforming Research Libraries (TRL), effective November 1, 2011. She is currently Program Officer for Collections at the Triangle Research Libraries Network (TRLN).

Lindsay Sarin resigned as ARL Program Assistant in September 2011 to take a position as a reference librarian at the University of the District of Columbia. She recently earned her MLS from the University of Maryland.

ARL Visiting Program Officer Transition

Jolie Ogg Graybill was appointed as an ARL Visiting Program Officer, assisting with ARL Diversity Programs and Leadership Initiatives effective September 2011. Graybill is Image & Multimedia Collections Coordinator and Assistant Professor at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln Libraries.

Other Transitions

IFLA Governance: Ingrid Parent (British Columbia) transitioned into her role as President of IFLA at the IFLA World Library and Information Congress in Puerto Rico in August 2011.

LYRISIS board: Two ARL member representatives—Jay Schafer (Massachusetts Amherst) and Julia Zimmerman (Florida State)—were elected to the LYRISIS Board of Trustees, effective July 1, 2011.

Honors

Joan Giesecke (Nebraska–Lincoln) received the 2011 ALA Equality Award at the ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans this summer. Giesecke was recognized for her commitment to principles of diversity and inclusion at the University of Nebraska and for her work, advocacy, mentorship, and leadership in this arena on a national level.

Paula Kaufman (Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) has been named the Illinois Academic Librarian of the Year for 2011 by the Illinois Association of College and Research Libraries. The award recognizes Kaufman's extraordinary leadership in Illinois, her vision and strategic thinking for the future of libraries, and the generosity with which she shares her inspirations.

Joan Lippincott (CNI) received a Minerva Award from SUNY Geneseo during the summer reunion. The award recognizes alumni for outstanding achievements and excellence in librarianship.

Rush Miller (Pittsburgh) was named the recipient of the 2011 Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) Distinguished Service Award, which recognizes his outstanding contributions to the advancement of Chinese American librarianship and cooperation between American and Chinese libraries.

Ingrid Parent (British Columbia) received an honorary doctorate from the University of Ottawa on June 11, 2011, as part of its 190th convocation.

Carlos Rodriguez (ARL Leadership and Career Development Fellow, 1997–98) was awarded the Trejo Librarian of the Year Award by REFORMA, the National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking. The Trejo Award recognizes a librarian who has distinguished him- or herself in the field of librarianship, promoted and advocated services to the Spanish-speaking and Latino communities, and made outstanding contributions to REFORMA. Rodriguez is Associate Dean of Technology and Information Services at Grand Valley State University in Michigan.