

**Annual report of the Faculty Senate Library Advisory Committee (FSLAC)
Presented 7 May 2020 by Christopher Brown, FSLAC Chair**

- The Committee met 5 times in the 2019-2020 term of the Senate, and all minutes and select videos of the meetings are posted to the Senate Website. Issues we discussed in this term of the Senate are covered in the minutes, and the Committee members welcome input and are happy to field questions.
- Much of our work has involved a series of discussions with the Provost concerning the change in leadership that occurred in the Library in early January 2020. Dean of the Library Beth Titus was re-assigned to serve as Senior Administrator in the Provost's Office, Kate Terpis was named Interim Dean, and the Provost will be doing a national search for a new system-wide Vice-Provost of Library Services who will also serve as the Dean of the Main Campus Library.
- In our 1 May 2020 meeting, the FSLAC compiled a list of qualities we believe the new Vice Provost should have, and we are forwarding these ideas to The Provost via a formal memo asking that these qualities be included in the position description. We will also restate our willingness to serve in the search process; this includes asking that select members of the FSLAC be named to the search committee.
- We also agreed to a special summer meeting at which anticipated budget cuts will be discussed; this most likely will happen in July after a probable special session of the Legislature is convened.
- Put simply, we are on the job - working to contribute to discussions on the search process for the new Vice Provost, and providing input to Library leadership on issues of concern to Committee members.
- I thank all Committee members for their energy and service to the Library, the Senate, and the University. I extend special thanks to Samantha Villa (Director, NMSU-Carlsbad Library) for serving as Vice-Chair, and Christopher Sroka (Assistant Professor, Applied Statistics) for serving as Secretary.