

Five Colleges of Ohio Digital Initiatives Subcommittee

Date: December 15th, 2022

Charge

The Five Colleges of Ohio Digital Initiatives Subcommittee provides a collaborative and flexible framework for enhancing the systems and applications employed by the colleges for their digital collections/exhibitions and the services those systems provide. Through regular communications the group identifies shared opportunities and needs that may benefit from the expertise and scale of the consortium, coordinates research of those topics—including charging task forces as needed—and recommends actions. With awareness that the system configurations, staffing, and digital programs of each of the five colleges vary in important ways, the subcommittee supports voluntary participation in meetings, discussions, and task forces based on the relevance of the subject to a particular college. The use of Basecamp for discussions and updates and two full subcommittee meetings per year will keep all members up-to-date on developments across the consortium.

Subcommittee Chair

The subcommittee will appoint a rotating chair for a one year term with the option to serve one additional term. The chair will be responsible for calling meetings, setting the agenda with input from the other members, and representing the subcommittee in other consortial meetings when appropriate.

Current Chair: Jenna Nolt, Kenyon College

Meeting Schedule

The subcommittee will meet twice per year (in-person and/or virtual) and will provide minutes to the sponsoring director from the Five Colleges of Ohio Library Committee.

Director Liaison

The Library Committee will appoint a director liaison who will serve as a resource for the library subcommittees to help ensure that the activities of the subcommittees are in alignment with larger consortial strategic directions. The director liaison may be invited to attend subcommittee meetings, but regular attendance is not expected. The subcommittee will relay meeting minutes to the liaison.

Current Liaison: Makiba Foster, College Librarian, College of Wooster

Funding

The Digital Initiatives Subcommittee may draw upon funds from the consortial meetings and training budgets to accommodate modest meal, transportation, and professional development expenses. Further requests for funding should be submitted to the Library Committee for review.

Members

- Debra Andreadis, Deputy Director, Denison University
- Stacy Chaney-Blankenship, Digital Initiatives Librarian & Curator of the OWU Historical Collection
- Katie Farr, Repository Services and Preservation Associate, College of Wooster
- Eve Kausch, Outreach Librarian for Special Collections & Archives, Kenyon College
- Sasha Kim, University Archivist/Special Collections Librarian, Denison University
- Yuimi Hlasten, Electronic Resources & Scholarly Communication Librarian, Denison University
- Spencer Lamm (Ex Officio), Director of Consortial Library Systems, Five Colleges of Ohio
- Michael McFarlin, Head of Library Technology and Systems, Oberlin College
- Matt McNemar (Ex Officio), Library Systems Analyst, Five Colleges of Ohio
- Jenna Nolt, Digital Initiatives Librarian, Kenyon College
- Heath Patten, Visual Resources Collection Curator, Oberlin College