



## FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

### **Spring 2023 Advancement Board Meeting Friday April 21, 2023, 10am – 2pm Strozier Library**

**In attendance:** Cheryl Monroe (Chair), Dean Gale Etschmaier, Mark Hillis, Julia Zimmerman, Kris Harper (via zoom), Kristi Nelson (via zoom), Nancy Stepina-Robison, Nancy Wingenbach (via Zoom), Kathy Whitehead, Carrie Cooper, Katie McCormick, Jenni McKnight,

**Not in Attendance:** Monica Dirac, Jayne Standley, John Fenstermaker, Anne Strozier, Dennis Moore, Senator Bill Montford, Valliere Richard, Mel Rowan (via zoom), Anne Rowe, Caroline Poole,

**Invited Guests:** Dr. Neelam Bharti

AGENDA ITEM	NOTES	ACTION
<b>Welcome</b>	Cheryl welcomed the Board and thanked everyone for attending,	
<b>Approve Minutes</b>	<p>Made a Motion to Approve- Nancy Stepina Robison 2<sup>nd</sup>- Dennis Moore and Kathy Whitehead. The Advancement Board approved the minutes unanimously.</p> <p>Board Chair, Cheryl Monroe mentioned the Florida Book Awards ceremony. Feedback from Board on FBA Dinner: All enjoyed talking to authors about their individual writing journey and now have deeper appreciation of the authors.</p>	

<p><b>Dean's Report</b></p> <p><i>Gale Etschmaier, Dean of University Libraries</i></p>	<p>See attached PPT.</p> <p>Dean Etschmaier introduced Dr. Neelam Bharti, the new Associate Dean for Research and Learning Services. The Dean also announced the new Associate Dean for Technology and Digital Scholarship, Debra Hanken-Kurtz had started on April 15 and is moving to Tallahassee in May.</p> <p>There were several events in the spring including the Emmet Till Archives Lecture and Gale's visit to the International campuses.</p> <p>The Great Give was held March 9, and the library was awarded a \$5000 bonus challenge if we reached 200 donors during the campaign. We raised \$19,144.65 and connected with 276 donors. Thanks to all for accepting the challenge of contacting 5 people to share about the Library during the Great Give.</p> <p>The basement and sub-basement flooded on December 25<sup>th</sup> during the evening. Emory Gerlock, Eric Love, Rory Grennan, Rachel and Josh Duke came to the library and worked through the night to salvage the collections. The basement is currently closed to the public and we hope to re-open at the end of the semester. More than 20,000 tons of wet carpet was removed and some of the general collection has been moved to an offsite storage unit in Texas.</p> <p>During the Spring Semester a student started a petition to</p>	
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	<p>expand hours on Friday nights. With over 300 signatures the library expanded its hours from after spring break to the end of the semester. The service desk is open until 7pm and the building is open until midnight.</p>	
<p><b><i>Nominating Report</i></b></p> <p><i>Carrie Cooper</i></p>	<p>Carrie Cooper brought nomination for approval of the 4 new nominated Board members, Chad Corbitt, Paul Fredrickson, Tony Fusco and Tim Mele. Cheryl brought forth nominations to add all 4 new nominations to the board and it was approved in favor by all members present in person /via zoom.</p>	

<p>Development Report</p>	<p>From Nov 1 to present the Library has raised \$379, 106.00 in revenue, gifts, and commitments. One of these gifts was the Edward C. Fogg III and Lisabeth A. Fogg Charitable Trust. The Fogg Trust Awarded the Library \$75,000 to support the free tutoring program and student internship in the library.</p> <p>On Friday April 14 the Library launched the Leave your Legacy at the Heritage Museum honorary chair campaign. There are 80 chairs in the Heritage Museum and with a gift of \$6500 the donor can honor a family member, faculty, friend, mentor, or themselves. We already accounted for 7 so now we only have 73.</p>	
<p><b>Fund Reports</b></p> <p><b>Advancement Board Fund Report</b></p> <p><i>Cheryl Monroe, Chair</i></p> <p><b>Heritage Museum Fund Report</b></p> <p><i>Cheryl Monroe</i></p>	<p>This fund was established as an endowment, and we have an endowment balance of \$52,137.32 with a spendable balance of \$5,076.49. \$4000 of this will go towards tutoring, of which \$1095 has been spent to date.</p> <p>The Heritage fund currently has a spendable balance of \$103,882.52 and an endowment balance of \$57,897.32. In discussions with the Heritage Museum Advisory Board, we have some exciting new initiatives we are exploring to raise funds for maintaining and enhancing this special space.</p>	

<p><b>Textbook Fund</b></p> <p><i>Cheryl Monroe</i></p>	<p>The FSU Libraries Textbook Fund F08272 was established to support students that may not afford the required text for courses of study. The fund has a current spendable balance of \$21,329 and does not have an endowment.</p> <p>The Noreene Storrie Textbook Fund F008807 has a spendable balance of \$4,481.21 and an endowment of \$52,566.11.</p> <p>The Yvonne and Stephen Bown Textbook fund was moved to Student Affairs in December per the Donors request.</p>	
<p><b>Heritage Museum Update</b></p> <p><i>Katie McCormick</i></p>	<p>See attached document.</p>	
<p><b>Data Fellows Presentation</b></p> <p><i>Dr. Nick Ruhs and Data Fellows; Reagan Bourne, William-Elijah Clark and Sahil Chugani</i></p>	<p>See attached PowerPoint.</p> <p>Discussion was held regarding Funding that is needed to support 3 Data Fellows as they are at \$13hr 1<sup>st</sup> year and \$15hr as Senior Fellows. \$20,000 needed per Fellow.</p> <p>This program was inspired by Dr. Nic Ruhs colleague at UC Berkley.</p>	



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# **FSU Libraries Advancement Advisory Board Meeting Update**

Gale S. Etschmaier  
Dean of University Libraries  
April 21, 2023



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## **Library Leadership Transitions: Associate Dean for Technology and Digital Scholarship**

**Welcome,  
Debra Hanken Kurtz!**





## Season of Celebration:

- Faculty Authors
- Emmett Till Archives Lecture
- Jones Symposium
- Media Suite Opening
- Pen & Inc
- Presentation on “The Rhetorical Rise and Demise of “Democracy” in Russian Political Discourse – Volume Three: Disaster, Putin, and the Redefinition of “Democracy” – 2000-2008.”
- International Campus Site Visits
- And many many more events....







# FSU Libraries Great Give 2023

**Thank YOU for your support of the Libraries!**

- Because of **YOU**, we exceeded our goal of 255 donors:
- 276 donors who supported the Libraries, raising a total of **\$19,144.65!**



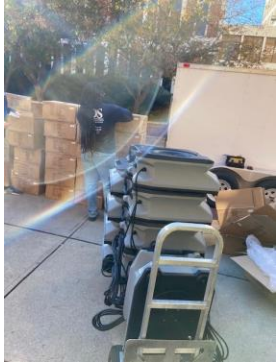
# Strozier Holiday Flood

## December 25, 2022





- Flood Progress





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### **Grant Work & Events**

- ***Living the Archive of William R. Jones (Jan. 19-22)*** - a CRC/APHEG grant funded interdisciplinary (partnership with Department of Religion & School of Dance/MANCC) symposium centered around the work of Dr. William R. Jones and his archival collection. Grant provided funding for the Symposium itself and publication of the proceedings. SCA is collaborating with GEOSET
- **Emmett Till Archives Annual Lecture (March 28):** *The Educational Legacy of Mamie Till-Mobley* with Dr. Brandon M. Erby, Assistant Professor of Writing, Rhetoric, and Digital Studies and an affiliated faculty member in African American and Africana Studies at the University of Kentucky. Dr. Erby also spent the day doing research in the Till Archives collections and was able to incorporate some of his findings into his presentation. We're looking forward to his future research trips.
- **Continuing Grant Work:** The City of Tallahassee [John G. Riley Center and Museum of African American History Culture](#) announces a partnership with the FSU Libraries and the [Riley Museum Archives](#) located at Tallahassee Community College. The Riley Center was recently awarded a three year Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Museum Grant for African American History and Culture to support cross organizational efforts to digitize their rich archival collections. This collaboration between the Riley Center, the Riley Archives at TCC, [FSU Libraries](#), and KMR Consultant, LLC will improve access through digitization of thousands of historical documents, photos, oral histories, and artifacts from the Riley Archives documenting the history of Black Floridians, with a focus on Leon and Gadsden counties.

### **Dr. Kristine Harper Research Grant**

- **2022 Awardees** (for research between July 1, 2022-July 1, 2023)
  - Bastien Craipain, LSU, will be doing research in the Napoleon Collections in May.
  - Haleigh Yaspen has had to reschedule her visit due to health reasons. We will carry her award forward to next fiscal year so she can complete her research on "The Politics and Poetics of Death and Dying in Late 20<sup>th</sup> Century Florida."
- **2023 Research Grant Cycle**
  - We have not yet announced the next cycle for awards. We are currently reviewing and updating the announcement.

### **Christmas Flood and Recovery Process Disruption & Navigation**

- SCA Research Center closed to the public so we could convert Reading Room into a triage, rehousing and reboxing, collections management space
- All in person research services and instruction sessions moved to the Pepper Library. Research services shifted to ALL appointments, without walk-in hours, to help navigate scheduling and disruption of access to many collections in the subbasement.
- No collections were irreparably damaged or destroyed, but 15,000 linear feet of archival materials had to be reviewed and monitored, 200+ collection boxes were damaged and had to be replaced.

- A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE ENTIRE SCA TEAM, especially Rory Grennan, Hannah Davis, Rachel Duke, Kristin Hageman, and Haley McGuire, for acting fast, saving collections, and figuring out all of the steps and coordinating processes to ensure recovery and continuing operations.

### ***Subbasement issues/Collections Move***

- Christmas Flood 2022 accelerated many of the processes and needs for moving collections out of the subbasement.
- Moving special and archival collections out of the subbasement is a complicated, multifaceted process. Because of this and the numerous moving parts of the planning and budgeting process for repairs and HVAC system replacement, we do not have a timeline nor do we have approved next steps. Still working on this.

## **Archives & Manuscripts Program**

### **University Archivist position**

- The search process for the Heritage & University Archivist position will begin in the coming weeks. We are finalizing the job description and forming the search committee now, with the goal of having the position posted in time for the Society of Florida Archivists Conference which begins May 10 and is being hosted here in Tallahassee at the Turnbull Center.

### **Digital Library Center**

- Acquired new camera and digitization equipment through student tech fee proposal. New equipment is arriving and getting set up.
- Community partner projects - in addition to the grant work with the John G. Riley Center & Museum, digitization of the Leon County School Board minutes continues and work will soon begin on digitizing the FSU Schools yearbooks.

### **Sunshine State Digital Network**

- Matthew Miguez, Metadata Librarian, developed a new metadata harvesting infrastructure for aggregating partner metadata to DPLA. This new system creates significant efficiencies, allows for others to participate in management of the aggregation, and will allow SSDN to provide information back to partners to help them improve their digital collections metadata for future harvests.

***For ongoing updates and highlights, see [FSU Special Collections & Archives Blog: Illuminations](#)***

- Monthly we averaged over 1800 blog views worldwide (August-March)

### ***By the Numbers***

Service, Instruction, and Visitor Stats (January-April 12, 2023):

- Research appointments: 53
- In person class sessions: 32 (370 students)
- Books and archival boxes pulled for appointments and classes: 529
- Resolved reference emails: 129

- Heritage Museum visitors: 2006



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# FSU Libraries Data Fellowship Program

Dr. Nick Ruhs, William-Elijah Clark, Reagan Bourne, Sahil  
Chugani

FSU Libraries Advancement Advisory Board Presentation  
April 21, 2023





# Outline

- Background
- Library & University Goals
- Areas of Focus
- Data Fellows Experiences
- Future Outlook





# STEM Data Fellowship

- FSU Libraries Strategic Initiative beginning in Fall 2021
- Development of a peer-to-peer model for data support
- Provide students with the opportunity to directly contribute to research data services at FSU Libraries
- Professional development opportunities prepare the fellows for future careers in data-centric fields





# Connecting to Library and University Goals

Enhance Research & Scholarship

Invest in People

Promote Critical Thinking

Ensuring Student Success and preparing our students for 21st century careers





# Areas of Focus

Teaching & Instruction

Research data support

Outreach & Engagement

Professional Development





# The Data Fellows



William-Elijah  
Clark



Reagan Bourne



Sahil Chugani



## Background: William-Elijah Clark

- Pursuing B.S. in Statistics
- Previously an Economics major and research assistant at UCF
- Universal Orlando Resort as Research Associate (RA) & Senior RA
- Fellowship provided an opportunity to gain experience related to data analysis





# Current Projects & Future Goals

- Projects
  - Survey on student engagement w/Research Data Services
  - Introduction to R workshop and Canvas module
- Future Goals
  - Graduate student in Statistics
  - Use teaching experience gained as a data fellow as a Statistics teaching assistant







## Background: Reagan Bourne

- Pursuing B.S. in Computer Science
- Interests in computer science, math, natural sciences
- Experience w/research projects involving data collection & analysis
- Fellowship provides a way to explore career interests, develop & use skills







# Current Projects & Future Goals

- Projects
  - Blog posts
    - [Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence](#)
    - [Critical evaluation of data](#)
  - Canvas module on Unix
  - Love Data Week
- Future Goals
  - Data Science & Machine Learning
  - Considering M.S. in Data Science





## Background: Sahil Chugani

- Pursuing B.S. in Statistics
- Interested in sports analytics & statistics
- Entered a high school sports analytics competition
- Joined sports analytics club at FSU
- Fellowship provides a way to utilize data analysis experience & gain practical skills





# Current Projects & Future Goals


- Projects
  - Python tutorial using Jupyter Book
  - Translating Youtube tutorials from Libraries workshops into Canvas modules
- Future Goals
  - Data scientist (ideally for an NFL team)
  - Continuing to enhance knowledge in data and build network






# Future Outlook

- Data Fellowship alumni network
- Peer-to-peer mentorship
- New engagement avenues
  - Data podcast
- Further classroom/workshop integration
- Explore more opportunities for direct data support



Need help finding a dataset or locating resources to help you manage, analyze, and store your data?

**Our STEM Data Fellows can help!**




Stop by our Data Walk-Up Hours and chat with our Data Fellows!

**In-person walk-up hours in Dirac 304:**

- Mondays from 2-3 pm
- Wednesdays from 10-11 am
- Thursdays from 2-3 pm

**Virtual (Ask-a-Data Librarian chat):**

- Tuesdays from 4-5 pm
- Wednesdays from 2-3 pm
- Fridays from 10-11 am



For our virtual hours, use the Ask-a-Data Librarian chat box on the FSU Libraries Research Data Services page to ask your questions! (Link and QR code)

[bit.ly/FSUResearchDataFellows](https://bit.ly/FSUResearchDataFellows)



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**Thank you!**  
**Questions?**