

## Report of the Administrative Board of the Library (ABL) to the Faculty Council

**April 23, 2024**

### 2023-24 Membership of the Administrative Board of the Library (ABL)

Name	Department	School	Seat	Term Expires
Shahla Adel	Asian and Middle Eastern Studies	Arts and Sciences	Social Sciences	2024
Dailihana Alfonseca	English and Comparative Literature	Arts and Sciences	Graduate Student (appointed)	2024
Inger Brodey	English and Comparative Literature	Arts and Sciences	Humanities and Fine Arts	2024
Tiana Dinham	Earth, Marine and Geological Science	Arts and Sciences	Undergraduate Student (appointed)	2024
Maria Estorino	University Library	Libraries	University Librarian	EO
Kurt Gilliland	Cell Biology and Physiology	Medicine	At-Large (appointed)	2024
Amanda Henley	University Library	Libraries	University Libraries	2025
Martin Johnson (chair)	English and Comparative Literature	Arts and Sciences	Humanities and Fine Arts	2026
Ann-Marie Jones	Nursing	Nursing	Health Affairs (appointed)	2025
Christian Lentz	Geography	Arts and Sciences	Social Sciences	2026
Chad Lloyd	Earth, Marine and Environmental Sciences	Arts and Sciences	Postdoctoral Consultant (non-voting)	2024
Maggie Melo	Information and Library Science	Information and Library Science	Academic Affairs Professional Schools (appointed)	2024
Janet Nye	Earth, Marine and Environmental Sciences	Arts and Sciences	Natural Sciences and Mathematics	2026
Rocio Quinonez	Pediatric Dentistry	Dentistry	Health Affairs (appointed)	2026
Kimberly Sanders	Practice Advancement	Pharmacy	At-Large (appointed)	2024
David Stotts	Computer Science	Arts and Sciences	Natural Sciences and Mathematics	2024

This report was prepared by Martin Johnson on behalf of the Administrative Board of the Library

### **Overview**

The Administrative Board of the Library (ABL) advises the University Librarian on the administration of University Libraries (“the Library”), the general policies governing collections, and budget; advocates for the Library; and makes an annual report to the Faculty Council. The ABL will have met **six** times during the 2023-24 academic year and assisted the Library in supporting its core pillars: (1) preservation of the historic record of the state and the University;

(2) student success; and (3) supporting the research enterprise. Furthermore, the ABL supported the five strategic initiatives of the Strategic Framework for the Library: (1) data science; (2) sustainable scholarship; (3) philanthropic growth; (4) diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility; and (5) global engagement.

### **Discussions in 2023-2024**

*September 23, 2023*

Maria Estorino introduced Martin Johnson as the new chair of the ABL, and provided an overview of University Libraries.

*October 23, 2023*

Johnson discussed the possibility of revisiting the charge of ABL, particularly its composition and which members are elected, and which are appointed. Estorino discussed the plans for the renovation of Wilson Library, and the need for a long-term space strategy. Lisa Gregory, head of Repository Services, and Julie Rudder, program coordinator for the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center, gave a presentation to the ABL on Digital Collections: Digitization and Access, and gave a brief tour of Wilson Library's digital services operation.

*December 4, 2023*

Estorino gave the ABL on update on the planned closure of Wilson Library and the FY25 budget requestion. Anne Gilliland, Scholarly Communications Officer presented on Sustainable Scholarship and Intellectual Property in the Academy.

Johnson then moved the discussion to the current composition of the ABL and asked if the board would like to make changes. Currently the board is comprised of both elected and appointed members, and it is suggested that:

1. Change from seven to **nine** elected members
2. Add Health Affairs to the elected member list with **two** members
3. Change from seven to **five** to be appointed
4. Add the newer schools to the list for members to be elected from

Stotts moved for the motion. Alfonseca seconded the motion. All in favor.

This recommendation to amend committee membership composition was referred to the Committee on University Government by Johnson.

*February 19, 2024*

Estorino shared that Wilson Library will not be undergoing renovation, as planned, due to budgetary issues. The ABL discussed lessons learned from the planned closing, including the recognition that Wilson Library is integral to the university's teaching mission as well as its research mission. The ABL also discussed its plans to meet with Provost Chris Clemmons in March.

*March 18, 2024*

The ABL met with provost Chris Clemens. Topics discussed included the role the libraries play in the university's research and teaching mission, the new timeline for the renovation of Wilson Library, aligning the expansion of library resources with programmatic growth, and the master space plan that is currently being developed for the University Libraries.

*May 6, 2024*

ABL Members will take a tour of the Library Services Center, which serves as a storage repository for the University Libraries.