Present: Janice Welburn, Chris Shaw, John Pauly, Gay Derderian, Deirdre Dempsey, Rebecca Nowacek, Doug Smith, Scott Mandernack, Jean Zanoni (recording)

Janice Welburn welcomed the new and returning members of the Board. With the departure of former Board chair, Stephen Long, the election of a new chair took place. John Pauly will serve in that role.

**Review of the Collection Budget** (Mandernack)
Collection budget allocations for FY2016 were reviewed. With regard to the electronic serials budget, the modest increase which does not cover inflationary costs has resulted in continued journal cancellations. After several years of journal cancellations, those cuts are being felt more keenly by faculty and impacting their ability to do research.

**Ithaka Faculty Survey** (Zanoni)
Preliminary results of the Ithaka S+R Faculty survey which was administered to all full and part time faculty (excluding Law) were reviewed. Ithaka will supply a complete analysis and comparisons to other institutions in January 2016.

**New Business**
Dr. Pauly led a discussion regarding what initiatives the Board should undertake in the coming academic year with the goal of becoming a more effective advocate for the Libraries. Board members identified the collection budget issue, digital scholarship as it relates to both teaching and research, and how the Library supports teaching and learning. Dean Welburn also noted that the Libraries are engaged in strategic planning and will seek input from the Board chair as has been done for previous plans. Board members were assigned to gather more information on the areas of interest as follows:

- Collection budget – Smith
- Digital scholarship – Dempsey
- Teaching and learning – Nowacek (Pauly will follow up.)

The Board plans to meet again during the fall semester.