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Grant Management Committee

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Dear Richard:

It is with regret that I have to inform you that your proposal to the Library's Grant Management Committee had to be disqualified under the rules for the mini-grants. The committee consulted the rules and decided it had to adhere stringently to the guideline that applicants had not been Principal Investigators on earlier grants. This guideline was established to encourage new and junior faculty, with limited grant-writing experience, to submit proposals for competition. The committee noted that you had been P.I. on the grants "Is Cooperation Effective? A Study of Latin American Collections and Resource Sharing" and "Electronic Information Sources in Brazil."

I'm sorry to send you bad news, as your proposal showed the utility of acquiring Haitian Creole materials for support of the program here. However, both I and the committee hope you will pursue the needed travel funds by seeking underwriting through library official business. Certainly I would favor asking the faculty of Special & Area Studies Collections to back such a request.

Sincerely,

James Cusick

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