

Faculty Senate Library Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2013

11:00 a.m.

Present: Consuella Askew (Library), Marissa Ball (library), Rashid Biggs (School of Public Health, Social Work), Elise Bloch (Nursing and Health Sciences), Stephanie Breneson (Library), Kawanna Bright (Library), Charles Buscemi (Nursing and Health Sciences), Bryan Cooper (Library), Jesse Dreikosen (CARTA), Joyce Fine (Education, Faculty Senate Library Committee, Chair), C. Deland Gray (Faculty Senate), Marisol Floren, (Law Library), Karen Medin (Library), Tom Moore (Library), Ron Mesa (Business), Nezh Pala (CEC), Anne Prestamo (Dean of Libraries), George Pearson (), Moses Shumow (Journalism and Mass Communications) Shawn Tonner (Library)

- I. Welcome and Introductions. The meeting was called to order by Joyce Fine.
- II. Agenda for meeting was approved.
- III. Election of a Chair for the 2013-2014 academic year. Elise Bloch (Nursing and Health Sciences) was elected Chair. Thank you Joyce for your wonderful service as Chair of this committee for many years.
- IV. Report from Dean of the Library, Anne Prestamo
 - a. Dean Prestamo introduced herself to committee. Anne has been at FIU since July of this year. Welcome Anne!
 - b. Goals
 - i. met with all librarians and staff –accomplished
 - ii. Meeting with Deans- ongoing
 - iii. Active participation of faculty with QEP Program
 - iv. Increase involvement in first time students in college
 - v. Increase integration of library with FIU online
 - c. Library Liaison List distributed- please use them, call them.
 - d. Building relationship with MAST Academy of BBC
 - e. Search underway for new hires
 - f. Change in Food/beverage policy in library- In June, library instituted no food/drink policy- this has been a challenge to manage and library is aware of student's needs. Modification to policy- "giving food a try"- no messy, smelly food, no deliveries. In area with computers – must have drinks with lids well secured.
 - g. Chair of Faculty Senate added that FIU has designated large funds to increase technology in library.

V. Update on TechHub- Marissa Ball-

a. Marisa shared about Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Wed October 16 at 2 pm. It has been open informally since the fall. This is a one stop area for students for computer use, to check out electronic devices, print, multiple editing. There is a multimedia room they can reserve. There are 96 computers with MAC desktops. Support staff are being trained by UTS. To use computers must have FIU ID and there is a 3 hour max time limit. Dean Prestamo mentioned they are aware of printer/copier performance issues and hope to have new vendor soon.

VI. Update on plans for AskCenter (HL) –

a. Bryan Cooper shared that the Academic, Skills and Knowledge Center (ASK) is underway. This project is a collaboration between journalism and Writing Center to address student retention and research needs by providing grammar and writing support. Plans for layout were distributed to committee. They will have 67 new computers (including 12 MACS), 2 consultation rooms for tutoring in writing and library research. There will be improved lighting as per student request. Construction should be completed by summer 2014, with grand opening fall 2014.

VII. Introduction of new department Heads:

a. Shawn Tonner (information & Research, HL) Shawn has worked for 30 years as a librarian, in universities through Georgia. Her last position was at the University of North Georgia. Her specialty area is allied health and nursing. Research interests are looking at library building as a place and building library experiences electronically. Welcome Shawn!

b. Tom Moore (Sound & Image, GL). Tom is new to Miami, worked for over 25 years as a librarian at numerous universities: Duke University (head of Music Library), College of New Jersey. His expertise is in music- Brazilian music. He also serves as an academic translator in many languages. Welcome Tom!

VIII. Old Business-

a. Stephanie Brenenson distributed flyer about Open Access week. Numerous activities sponsored by library on campus. Open Access Q & A on Wed. Oct 21 from 1-2 pm in GL 245. Great opportunity to learn the ins and outs of open access. Stephanie reported that the White House has asked government agencies to write guidelines on open access policies. Delano Gray asked that information on Open Access should be passed on the Faculty Senate- Academic Policy and Personnel Committee. This will help them with Tenure and Promotion Guidelines regarding publications.

New Business-

Delano Gray asked that committee consider having student's participation in committee as an ex-officio member. Discussion and vote followed to invite students from MM and BBC student governments to next meeting. Elise will contact VP of Student Affairs to follow up with invitation for spring meeting.

V. The meeting was adjourned at 12:20.

Respectfully submitted- Elise Bloch, Chair

Next meeting- as needed or Spring Term