

Faculty Senate Library Meeting

Minutes

September 18, 2012, 2 :00 pm

Present: Tom Breslin (Interim Dean of the Libraries), Stephanie Brenenson (Library), Prem Chapagain (Arts & Sciences), Luda Dolinsky (HW COM), Mehmet Dorak (Public Health), Jeffrey Fan (Engineering & Computing), Joyce Fine (Education), Delano Gray (Chair, Faculty Senate, guest), Moses Shumow (SJMC)

- I. **Welcome** – The meeting was called to order by Joyce Fine. Introductions were made.
- II. **Approval of the agenda** – The agenda was approved.
- III. **Election of a Chair for the 2012-2013 academic year**- Joyce Fine was unanimously elected chair.
- IV. **Report from the Interim Dean of the Libraries, Tom Breslin**
 - a. **Search Committee for new Dean of the Library**- Dean of Arts & Sciences, Dr. Ken Furton, is the Chair of the search committee for a new Dean of the Library. Members have been identified and work is underway with the hope of having a new dean by the beginning of the next academic year.
 - b. **Internal Audit of the Libraries**- Findings by the Office of Internal Audit rated all areas fair to satisfactory. Some suggestions and criticisms were made. One area of concern is that there are **over 1,000 books that are long overdue many of which were borrowed by faculty. The faculty members are urged to look on their shelves and to return the books as soon as possible. (Faculty may renew books electronically. This is critical now to avoid fines or assessments for lost books.)**
 - c. **Staff** – Five of the library faculty are being promoted. There are 4-5 more searches for library faculty. A Development Director is needed. The hope is to double the size of the archives which will require more staff.
 - d. **Space** - The serials removal process with the plan to house materials near the University of Florida in order to allow more space for students in the library is not moving forward at this time. There are financial concerns regarding maintaining the physical space of the storage facility as well as access costs that are being reevaluated. The cost structure for assessing materials seemed to be favoring some universities over others.
 - e. **Physical Condition of the Library**-
 1. The physical appearance of the library is generally OK, but it is worn-looking. When there was a renovation / expansion of the library in 1995-97, the designers did

not foresee the great increase in demand for outlets. Now there is a need to expand the electronic infrastructure.

2. Also, there is a need to reconsider allowing food in the library. The practice resulted in much damage to the physical appearance of the library. The faculty senate representatives are asked to get feedback from their units on banning food above the first floor. Suggestions may be made for creating spaces where students would be allowed to have food since there are not enough of these at present.

f. Emerging Problems/ Situations

1. Storage space for federally-funded data that must be preserved
2. Need for improvement of library presence at the Engineering Center
3. Changes in the library website which will begin in parallel to the existing one in October with the new website fully operational in January.
4. The BBC campus library personnel and administration are involved in discussions on how to use the BBC library for some experimenting.

V. **Discussion on Open Access Publishing** – Stephanie Brenenson, graduate studies librarian, reported on the topic of the open access in publishing movement and was asked to make a presentation to the Faculty Senate on this topic. Some disreputable companies are seeking articles to publish in return for the payment of high fees. Others are more legitimate. There will be three workshops during the week of October 22-28th on this topic as well as author's rights and what faculty should know about copyright. More information is on the library website at the Lib Guides under Research Guide for scholarly publications.

VI. **Old business-** none

VII. **New business-** none

VIII. **Adjourned** – The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Joyce Fine, Chair.

Next meeting: As needed or spring term