## Faculty Senate Library Committee Year-End Report 2016-2017

The faculty senate library met twice this year, once on Oct. 18, 2016 and again on March 27, 2017.

At the first meeting, it was announced that the **Digital Scholars Studio** was opened. Also, more active learning space was renovated. This included three classrooms, one on the fifth floor and another on the second floor in G and one in HL. More information is at <u>http://dss.fiu.edu</u>.

The second meeting began with an update that the renovations in three classrooms using tech fees were completed.

There was also Update on implementation of the card swipe/ turnstile entry. The system has been successfully implemented. The purpose or this system is to improve security for the 24/5 operation of the library. A service desk has been opened at the top of the elevators to aid community users, alumni, donors, and other special users. Online students are able to get cards remotely. In case of an emergency, there are switches that drop the turnstiles to facilitate fast exiting of the library. The turnstiles allow the collection of specific data on metrics related to library usage, student retention and completion.

Respectfully submitted, Joyce Fine, 2016-2017 Chair of the Faculty Senate Library Committee