

University Library Committee

Minutes, Friday, January 18, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Neil Tocher (Chair). Others in attendance were Martine Beachboard, Stephanie Christelow, Kate Christiaens, Kevin Cleveland, Marjanna Hulet, Taylor Jensen, Vitit Kantabutra, Regina Koury, Melissa Norton, Sandra Shropshire. Jean Thomas, Todd Davis, Debra Easterly, and Patrice Pratoomratana were excused.

Minutes from December 5, 2012 were approved.

Announcement: Resignation accepted from Josephine Garibaldi, Humanities B due to the class schedule conflict.

BUSINESS:

1. Miniature Golf – Sue Roth

March 9th is the new date for the 4th annual Golf in the Library event. This is a fundraising opportunity with proceeds going to purchasing books. Sue distributed job descriptions, floor plans, rules, golf scorecards, etc. Library will need help with the set up on Friday and Saturday morning and various jobs during Saturday hours. In the past the Golf in the Library ran from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. There were suggestions to do either 10-4 or 11-4. There was also a discussion of reduced rate for ISU students and their families, which would be a draw. Advertising different prices will not be a problem: \$3 per ISU student, \$5 per non-ISU student or \$ 20 per family. Kate Christiaens and Taylor Jensen volunteered to be in charge of advertising this event to student organizations. Marjanna Hulet will work with Sue Roth on contacting ISU credit Union for a booth at the event.

2. Budget – Sandra Shropshire:

In preparation for 2% and 2.9% worst case scenario budget cuts library will be doing the following:

- reducing student hours and transferring some to Meridian
- reducing university group part time instructors pool (money built from filling replacement library jobs with lower salary)
- cancelling few databases, based on cost per use and content vs. pointers. Justifying that by availability of Google Scholar as a pointer to resources, with ISU collections set up to show in it. For example library pays for \$43, 000 a year database with a low use and no content.

Library also has an inflation problem and need to cut 13%. It is hard to predict journal inflation: it varies every year and industry puts an inflation forecast every year in April.

3. SPARC: Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition – Sandra Shropshire

Promoting publishing in open access journals relates to journal inflation. For example scholarship from the NIH funded research has to be open access 6 months after publication. Committee discussed open access publishing variants, when authors pay and “predatory” publishers. Harvard faculty is required to publish in open access journals, with University subsidizing authors cost. Ideas were discussed about educating ISU faculty about open access: webinars in the Fall, Faculty Senate discussion, etc.

Just like in the past, library will make decisions about which journals to cancel collectively with departments. Discussions will start later in the semester. Previous year lists are available on the library page: <http://www.isu.edu/library/coldev/jrnreview.shtml>

4. LLIB115 Class – Sandra Shropshire:

Library 3 credit information literacy course would satisfy Objective 7 OR 8 of the General Education Requirements, instead of both as originally planned. That change will make it easier for the library to meet the demands.

5. Vacant Positions – Sandra Shropshire

Library is down to 4 open positions and running searches for 2 of them:

Health Sciences Librarian in Meridian – has been filled. Molly Montgomery will spend a week of January 28th in Pocatello meeting with departments and library staff. She will be in charge of Pharmacy and nursing collections.

Dates for future meetings: Future meeting dates were confirmed, with one exception: February date will be decided based on the 2013 Golf in the Library event schedule. Will meet on Fridays, at 3:30PM, Library Conference Room 268 on the following dates:

February 8: Friday, 3:30 pm

March 8: Friday, 3:30 pm

April 6 – Saturday Retreat (9:00-Noon)

Submitted by
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