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PLEASE NOTE MEETING PLACE CHANGE TO SECOND FLOOR LIBRARY

APPROVE MINUTES: November 11, 2011

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Dates for meetings this year:
February 24 March 16
April 20

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Neil Tocher at 3:40, with the following in attendance: Martine Beachboard (Mass Communications), Kevin Cleveland (Pharmacy), Elizabeth Damstrom (Nursing), Todd Davis (Chemistry), Josephine Garibaldi (Dance), Cathy Gray (Library), Marjanna Hulet (Staff Council), Vitit Kantabutra (Engineering), Kathleen McCulloch (Psychology), Sandra Shropshire (Library Dean), Jean Thomas (Education), and Rick Williams (Biology). Debra Easterly and Linda Leeuwrik were excused.

BUSINESS:

1. Budget

Library Dean Shropshire began by stating that the funds we have cannot address the full publishing world in the programs taught at ISU. Sandi consulted a source often referred to by librarians, *Magazines for Libraries* (Bowker, 2011), that provides information on the recommended journal titles for most fields of study. Using biology as an example, she reviewed the list. Sandi is developing a proposal to allocate a percentage of the library budget for each department. Any leftover funds will be apportioned to departments based on program FTE of faculty and student enrollment. Departments with faculty that get research grants would get additional journal titles with the library portion of the indirect funds. (The library receives two percent of the grant portion a department receives, but not all departments receive this type of funding from grants.) Shropshire is anticipating approval from university administration soon, and hopes to get the formula implemented by July for FY2013 allocations.

The budget presentation to the university administration will be February 7, and Sandi has been told to prepare a flat budget and 2% growth budget. With the increase in journal costs, this presents 6-8% cut in journal allocations. Several departments just went through accreditation review and received comments on library collections, especially the journals. Sandi asked departments to forward her accreditation comments about the library collection. Also, the *Web of Science* subscription ended in December 2011, and had been funded with one-time funds from several departments. Those one-time funds are no longer available, so the subscription has been discontinued. However, we do have access to what we already purchased, for \$5800 each year in maintenance fees.

2. Events: Miniature Golf & A Fine Romance

Miniature Golf in the Library will be held Feb 4 from 10am-2pm. There will be a 9-hole course and 18-hole course using library stacks and gadgets to make each hole. There will also be baked goods for sale, contributed by library staff and friends. Also, the KZBQ/KORR radio station will be broadcasting from the library, promoting the event. Last year it was quite successful, and the library is anticipating this will become an annual fundraising success.

A Fine Romance: Jewish American Songwriters is an ALA travelling exhibit that is going to a limited number of libraries across the country. A competitive grant was submitted over a year ago, and with the exhibit which includes large posters near the circulation and reference desks, there are several events. The first was held Jan 20, and ISU Music Department's Diane Livingston-Friedley and Geoffrey Friedley sang songs featured in the exhibit for three

hours in the library, and about 150 people attended and enjoyed refreshments. Tonight, Century High School Swing Choir will perform several songs from the Jewish American songwriters; on Saturday, Jan 28, there will be a film viewing of *Rogers & Hammerstein: The Sound of Movies* at Temple Emmanuel; and Thursday, Feb 12, there will be a reader's theatre presentation.

3. Adopt-a-Journal

Martine Beachboard presented the flyer which she developed to encourage faculty, staff, alumni and students to contribute to purchase journals for the library. The flyer will be reformatted for the library webpage, with a link from the ISU Alumni webpage. It was suggested that some be printed for the remaining "A Fine Romance" programs. Josephine Garibaldi offered to include a small advertisement on programs for theatre, dance and music departments. The ISU Health Fair will be March 22, possibly the same advertisement could be included in their materials. In addition, a mass mailing list for alumni will be accessed and used to distribute the flyers to alumni and other potential donors.

4. Changes in meeting dates

Neil suggested that the February ULC meeting be held on February 24, and he will be out of town March 16, so the March meeting may be cancelled or other arrangements made for a chair to lead the meeting. Everyone agreed.

5. Retreat

The retreat will be on Saturday, April 21 at Elmer's on 5th Avenue. The details will be distributed closer to the date via e-mail.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30, as moved by Rick Williams.

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	Average
	Journal Cost
Discipline	(2010)
Biology	\$1,838
Chemistry	\$3,449
Computer Science	\$1,483
Engineering	\$ 1,578
English	\$259
Ethnographic Video Online	\$1,971
Health Sciences	\$1,154
History	\$311
Mathematics	\$1,483

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