

University Library Committee

Minutes, Saturday, April 6, 2013

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

APPROVE MINUTES: Minutes from February 8, 2013 were approved and there were no minutes for March 8, 2013 meeting, as it was spent setting up mini-golf event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Welcome to new ULC member: Anna Hiller - Humanities B, Language & Literature representative – term 2013 – 2016.

BUSINESS:

1. Review ULC recommendations that came to be—Sandi:

Info Lit class: LIB1115, a 3 credit course will have 5 sections (1 online) in the Fall 2013. Thank you ULC for endorsing and encouraging library to push for it.

Begin open access awareness: Open Access policy has been adopted by big name universities, ISU faculty needs to adopt it too. Office of Research (Deb Easterly) and Library (Sandi, Karl) are working on an OA Repository for theses, publications, etc. A suggestion was made to email faculty (approved by ULC committee members first) about OA initiatives: SPARC, Jeffrey Beals, NIH policy, etc. Ask SPARC officers come to campus to talk more about it. Sandi was in contact with University of Utah Scholarly Communication Librarian, who suggested that based on their experience, educating faculty first is the key. Adopted in 2008, NIH Public Access policy (if you get government funding, you need to make research results OA within a year) was a great success for OA. In February 2013 White House stepped in for the rest of the agencies to adopt similar policy.

Adopt-a-Journal: Library offers an opportunity to donate money to support a particular journal subscription: <http://www.isu.edu/library/coldev/adoptajournal.shtml>

Golf 2013: Was a fun day. Thank you for the help with baked goods, bottled water (Neil) setting up, directing people, signing people in, etc. Students helped a lot with promotion of this event. Lower price might have affected attendance this year. Next year will need more large golf clubs. First hour (10:00-) was slow, might be due to the great weather day. Suggestions were made to: move mini-golf to earlier in the month, or change hours: 11:00 – 3:00 pm or 11:00- 4:00 pm, invite teams from each college, ask for baked goods from each department, involve Recreation Center, assemble teams, price for holes? Pocatello mayor brought his family to participate.

2. Budget—Sandi:

Library will be held to 2.9% budget cut: losing a staff position and 3 index databases: Inspec, Biosis and PsycINFO. In addition to that library planned for a 13% across the board journal cut. Library subject bibliographers populated journal lists with usage stats, alternative availability, rankings for journal cuts recommended before. Library hopes not to do it, but we will work with all departments. Mr. Fletcher asked to postpone faculty notifications (plan was to do so after the Spring Break) pending actions by SBOE.

3. Service Desk Merge—Sandi:

Library plans to merge Circulation Desk with Reference Desk with IHSI Desk to make more efficient use of staff and have one point of contact on the first floor. We'll have remodeling done over summer and will cross train staff and students. Special Collections will have their own service desk. Other universities have done this type of merge. Library kept student hours, but had to cut staff position of LAIII. We'll look into use of CPI students to address an ASISU request of keeping library open earlier in the morning and later at night (Rendezvous building is too noisy). Kate will send resolution to the ASISU for the library hours extension. Library extension of hours will happen in the Fall 2013 and will be assessed later with the gate count.

4. JSTOR Print Weeding Project—Sandi:

Library is running out of space: we took in INL journals and we house medical + law materials. One of the solutions is JSTOR Collection: a non-profit organization, which digitizes journals and provides access from vol. 1 up to a 5 year ago (moving wall). Library has a number of JSTOR collections: online and in print. Print is being discarded following a rubric: nothing earlier than 1950, intrinsic value, art, background color, maps, fold outs, regional interest. If there is a quality problem, JSTOR will fix any quality scanning fast. Links to JSTOR collections with title lists are on the library page.

5. Elections—Neil:

Chair for 2013-14:

Jean Thomas kindly agreed to be a new ULC Chair for 2013-14

Announcement of end of terms:

Martine Beachboard

Marjanna Hulet

Vitit Kantabutra

Neil Tocher

Kate Christiaens

Taylor Jensen