

AGENDA
UNIVERSITY LIBRARY COMMITTEE
Friday, November 11, 2011
ROOM 268

PLEASE NOTE MEETING PLACE CHANGE TO SECOND FLOOR LIBRARY

APPROVE MINUTES: September 9, 2011, no meeting in October

BUSINESS:

1. Introduction of new members—Tocher

Kevin Cleveland – Pharmacy
Elizabeth Damstrom - Health Sciences
Emma Doupe – Undergraduate Representative
Todd Davis – Physical Sciences, Chemistry
Marjanna Hulet – Staff Council
Joel Mingura – Graduate Representative

2. Meeting time—Tocher:

3. New Allocation Formula—Shropshire:

4. Budget—Shropshire:

Dates for meetings this year:

November 11
December 9
January 13
February 10
March 9

April 13

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Neil Tocher at 3:40, with a few delayed finding the meeting room. Others in attendance were Kevin Cleveland, Elizabeth Damstrom, Todd Davis, Cathy Gray, Marjanna Hulet, Vitit Kantabutra, Linda Leeuwrik, Kathleen McCulloch, Joel Mingura, Jean Thomas and Library Dean Sandra Shropshire. Excused were Martine Beachboard, Josephine Garibaldi and Charles "Rick" Williams. Absent were Emma Doup and Sandra Knighton.

Business

1. Introduction of New Members

Neil introduced himself, and asked the other new members to introduce themselves. The new members are Todd Davis, Chemistry, Elizabeth Damstrom, Nursing, Kevin Cleveland, Pharmacy Marjanna Hulet, Staff Counsel, and Joel Mingura, Graduate Representative.

2. Meeting Time

The next item of business was to talk about the meeting time, Neil suggested we meet earlier on Fridays. However, several have class until 3:00, so 3:30 is still the best time. It was noted that since there isn't anyone attending via distance, the ULC meetings will take place in 268.

3. New Allocation Formula

Neil asked Sandra Shropshire to explain the financial issues with the budget allocation of journal and book funds. Sandra explained that she worked with Dr. Vailas to avoid the 25% journal cuts that were anticipated last spring, and she is in the process of developing a new system to determine the distribution of funds. Factors in the proposed new system include some division between curricular and research support, level and number of graduate students, type and number of faculty, and journal vs. book dependence. There are likely to be changes to existing allocations with the proposed system as it will have to address programs for which no library funding was provided at the start-up. Dr. Vailas would like to increase the research funds coming to the university overall, which will increase the amount of indirect funds coming to the library. Meanwhile, the budgeted dollars have held steady for the last two years, but purchasing power has decreased due to inflation. Sandra explained that if we considered the allocated collection funds from 2007, and reduced that amount by eight percent every year since for inflation, that would be an accurate representation of how the library budget has been affected by journal inflation.

Sandra hopes to have the plan finalized, approved and in place in July 2012 for the 2012-2013 academic year. There is library research on this topic, but there is no single recommended way to distribute library funds. Sandra is studying all of the alternatives.

4. Representative from Office of Research

Sandra noted that the Office of Research has expressed interest in having a representative on the University Library Committee. Dr. Jacobsen has suggested Dr. Debra Easterly serve on the ULC, which was agreeable to those in attendance.

Announcements

Neil reminded everyone of the dates for the ULC meetings for the rest of the academic year: November 11, December 9, January 13, February 10, March 9, April 13.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30.