

## University Library Committee

Minutes, Friday, December 7, 2012

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

Minutes from November 2, 2012 were approved.

### **BUSINESS:**

#### **1. Budget - Shropshire:**

Library is preparing for about 3% (2.9%) worst case scenario budget cut, which is bad. Even with a flat budget, it's still bad for the library because of the journal subscription inflation. In the past, the library was held harmless and had "one time" money to cover journal inflation. Advice and ideas are being solicited from the committee. An idea about implementing Open Access initiative among ISU faculty, with faculty publishing locally and retaining rights to their work, came as a plan. Shropshire mentioned SPARC: Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition site which "provides information on alternative scholarly communication strategies". Shropshire will provide more information to the committee about it. 2013 Golf in the Library event was planned to be cancelled due to the library being short-staffed. Members of the ULC committee volunteered to help to keep the event going. Library will set up a schedule for time slots needed to be filled and let the committee know.

#### **2. LLIB115 Class - Shropshire:**

GERC and Curriculum Council approved Library 3 credit information literacy course. Next it goes to the Deans and then Provost. Other units are working on similar courses. Currently, library teaches a 1 credit version of it. Library faculty assignments will have to change to reflect the workload. LLIB will be a 6 sections class with 1 section online.

#### **3. Vacant Positions - Shropshire**

Library has 5 open positions and running searches for 3 of them:

Health Sciences Librarian in Meridian – Search in progress. When successful candidate is hired, he/she will spend a week in Pocatello meeting with departments and library staff. There is no IHSL librarian in Meridian right now, only librarian in high school section.

Head of Special Collections – Search in progress

Distance Services Librarian – Beginning search process.

Electronic Resources Librarian

Library Assistant III, Interlibrary Loan

The need to fill open positions is urgent: if we don't fill them then the LLIB 1115: Information Literacy 3 credit course have to be 4 sections instead of planned 6.

#### **4. Allocation formula- Shropshire:**

There are 3 parts to the allocation formula:

- Main part which covers existing "fundamental" resources, e.g.: Chemical Abstracts, MLA subscriptions.
- Standards-based piece, with money to spend on materials in support of undergraduate education.

Supporting undergraduate education is a legislature message. Standards come from accrediting bodies and Katz's Magazine for libraries. A lot of overlap with what library subscribes already.

- Local faculty discretion, based on factors such as average journal price, graduate faculty FTE in the discipline, etc.

Library staff went through Katz's and matched it with library existing subscriptions. The plan is to introduce it to Deans and faculty next semester

**6. 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:

January 18

February: will decide based on the 2013 Golf Schedule

March 1

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

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