

LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2008 7:30 a.m.

C2600

Members attending: C. Robinson, T. Olson, J. Ruffle, J. Richie, R. Kass,

Library faculty: E. Dell, M. FitzSimmons

Cynthia Robinson, the Director of the Harrell Library and chair of the Library Advisory Committee opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Refreshments were provided.

Cynthia gave an update of library activity. She explained the NIH Open Access Policy and noted the Library web site offers lots of info. Marie and Esther are offering classes and will also go to departments for training if requested.

Esther updated information on Iliad, stating that this will replace the current approach to interlibrary loan. Iliad will require a PSU access account id. Roll out hopefully in July.

A copyright seminar will be held on September 16th. Esther distributed information to be taken back to departments. There will be three speakers, Dickinson Library Director, Steve Hinckley, Wes Blakeslee from Johns Hopkins, Lollie Gassaway from UNC and (tentatively) a rep from McQuaid/Blasko, University attorneys.

Library currently redoing website. Pages will be edited and connected for easy navigation.

SIM lab update – Journal review complete. Compact shelving, backfiles and storage at CATO at University Park will be available for journal access. Some titles will be discarded based on statistics. There is no firm start date.

NCBI – NLM training scheduled for June was cancelled due to NLM budget cuts. Carrie Iwema from Pitt will be conducting a replacement class on July 21st. All classes are filled. It was noted by Tom Olson that graduate students now can select a minicourse.

Library's strategic plan is under development and final version will be available soon.

Budget very tight. A new position was requested, it will not be granted, but the position will be requested again next year. Final budget numbers have not been received. A 12-14% journal subscription increase is expected in the coming year. We will be unable to buy as many backfiles as previously hoped.

Concern was expressed about being able to access journals from home. Faculty was asked to report problems to Marie so they can be resolved.

A simple way to report problems is a link at the bottom of any of the library web pages.

A discussion ensued about how copyright charges are incurred when requesting an article.

Meeting adjourned 8:20 a.m.