LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 9, 2009

7:30 a.m.

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Members present: Cynthia Robinson, John Richie, Joan Ruffle, Tom Olson, Anthony Ambrose, Vicky Schirm, Timothy Cooper, David Spector, Neil Christensen

Library faculty: Marie FitzSimmons

Excused: Phil Wilson, Joel Weinstein, Paul Eslinger, Thomas Pritchard, Brandt Groh

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 announced that the grant funded conference titled "Transformational Change in Health Sciences Libraries: Space, Collection, Roles" held in the University Conference Center on April 1st went well with approximately 70 attendees.

She also stated the liaison program is going well.

The librarians are working with staff at University Libraries to consolidate electronic access through 1 single proxy – PSU access account. ILLiad will be going live shortly, along with SFX.

Sim lab update: the compact shelving on the first floor is complete and books shelved. Piping and lighting work progressing. Most construction done at night. Sim Lab anticipated completion date is end of 2009, before LCME visit. Official name: Penn State Hershey Clinical Simulation Center.

History of medicine collection was appraised for insurance value as well as resale value. Cynthia will be meeting with Dr. Paz to discuss plans for housing collection.

Faculty working with Sridhar on redesigning the web page. Should be up in July.

Cynthia working on LCME self study. A student survey was part of this and study space was an issue in that survey.

Budget hearings ended in May and there has been no word on the outcome of those hearings.

A discussion was held on the purchase of print textbooks. Cynthia stated the library only expended half of what was budgeted for textbooks ($20K).