

LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2010 7:30 am
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Members Present: C. Robinson (Chair), T. Cooper, M. Darowish, R. Kass, T. Olson, J. Richie, J. Ruffle, V. Schirm, D. Spector, and P. Wilson

Members excused: C. Lynch

Library Faculty: E. Dell, M. Fitzsimmons

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

Library Update

- Simulation Lab is now open and members of the committee were invited to visit if not already done so.
- New carels, tables and chairs have been delivered. Several new computers will be arriving as we benefit from a recently awarded grant. In response to a question from Dr. Ruffle, the students appear to be making good use of the new library furniture. A request has been made to improve the lighting at the back of the library.
- Exhibit Case has been acquired from another campus, which we will use to display the Harvey book which is in the process of restoration.
- ILLiad – There was a two month transition period and as of March 1 the new system is in place. Esther reported that there were some technical issues but they have been resolved. Now using ILLiad you can request documents in the print collection, articles, chapters etc. and includes document delivery. The new system allows customers to peruse their own account.

Recruitment

- Between June 2009 and June 2010 the library will have lost seven (7) individuals, five of them due to retirement. In response to a question regarding new positions, due to the changing face of the library, Cynthia reported that the library has been able to consolidate some of the staff positions and will use the dollars to fund a new Systems Librarian.
- Sabine Caldwell has taken the position of Library Supervisor IV and joined our staff on February 22, 2010.
- Collections Development Librarian – two candidates have been chosen and will be visiting Hershey and University Park for interview. Christina Daley will be visiting on March 23, 2010, and David Brennan on April 1, 2010, members of the committee will be receiving information regarding the time and location of their presentations.
- Systems Librarian position will be advertised midyear.

SFX -There are still a number of issues involving 2 networks and 2 proxies. University Park and Hershey are working together to try to resolve problems.

LCME – Cynthia reported that the visit appears to have been very successful.

Academic Mission Strategic Plan – As co-Chair of the Academic Team Cynthia reported that the strategic plan is in need of update. The team needs to set new goals and objectives for the next five years. There will be three Town Hall meetings March 31, April 8 and April 14, during which input and information from staff will be gathered.

Academic Management System ½ day summit – This has been arranged for June 23, 2010, there will be two speakers from Wake Forest who are at present using this system. In response to a question from Dr. Darowish, the Academic Management System has the capability of tracking from application to medical school through to alumni, including residency, fellowship etc., also has the ability to track faculty contact hours. The aim is to form a steering group and get institutional support.

Dean of Libraries Search – Interviews are now complete, candidates came from Utah, Texas A & M, and Univ. Tennessee.

Dr. Cooper asked whether the Cancer Prevention Research subscription had been renewed as a colleague was unable to access. Cynthia will look into this.

CIC part of UP Library (Big Ten) has been able to negotiate licenses for electronic books – 2000 full text electronic books which are in the process of being catalogued. Liaisons will keep departments up to date with progress.

Meeting adjourned 8:25 am.