

LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

December 15, 2009

7:30 a.m.

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Members present: Cynthia Robinson, (Chair) Anthony Ambrose, Timothy Cooper, Rena Kass, Chris Lynch, Tom Olson, Tom Pritchard, David Spector, and Philip Wilson.

Library faculty and staff: Esther Dell, Marie FitzSimmons, Christine Newberry

Excused: Vicky Schirm

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

1) Access to Library Resources

Cynthia discussed a number of communications she has received from faculty members who are unable to access our electronic resources. Usually the problem is the access point. The Harrell Library website is the ideal access point. We own over 3,500 on-topic electronic journals. They are listed on the Journal A to Z list available on the Electronic Resources page <http://www.hmc.psu.edu/library/eresources/index.htm>

When searching PubMed use the link from the library website. It will identify the user as a Penn State user and allow access to full text articles.

The librarians will do a brief presentation at the next HMC Faculty Organization Meeting to demonstrate how to access library resources.

Genes and Development was purchased from Cold Spring Harbor and will be available in January

2) Library Update

Construction nearing completion, furniture has been ordered, casework completed for History of Medicine collection, 24 additional carrels will be installed during Christmas break, getting an estimate to upgrade the lighting in the back of the library, hoping to have existing furniture reupholstered.

Received a grant to purchase 7-8 new public access desk-top computers. They will be placed on the first floor near the library entrance.

Roll-out of new Harrell HSL webpage delayed, waiting for upgrades to server in order to improve response time. Plans to migrate to University Libraries CMS in 2010.

Recruiting for the new Librarian for Collection Development & Digital Resource Management. Hope to make an offer by late Spring.

Will be recruiting for new Librarian for Knowledge Integration & Emerging Technologies. Will be posting early March.

Currently recruiting for Library Supervisor IV, Circulation Supervisor.

- 3) Sim lab update: Construction nearing completion, expect to have grand opening at the end of January.

C2600 Faculty / Student Lounge complete, card access in place. Library is not responsible for lounge; contact Facilities, Student Support Services or Med Ed with issues.

- 4) Iliad, interlibrary loan software, will have a soft roll-out 12/22/09 with our frequent borrowers. Gives us the opportunity to resolve any issues that may arise before we actively promote. Patrons using Iliad must be a registered library user and fill out a onetime registration for Iliad using the PSU access account. Iliad is user friendly, more efficient, will allow for electronic delivery of articles when possible, and when SFX is implemented – the “Get It” link will accomodate self population of the Iliad form.

The process for managing Interlibrary loans may need to change. Administrative assistants will be able to request journal articles using their personal PSU account. However, faculty must request **books** with their PSU access account. This is an accountability issue.

5. SFX, link resolving software, implementation will follow Iliad roll-out. Working with the vendor to resolve problems,

6. LCME self study & review – no library inefficiencies noted.

Questions

Chris Lynch suggests it may be time for the library to be re-surveyed for F & A purposes. Cynthia says changing the F & A percentages is a long and arduous process and the library is just one component.

Phil Wilson asked about Dean Eaton’s replacement. Mary Beth Clark represents Hershey on the recruiting committee. The time line includes quick interviews in January, full interviews in February, offer in March. Cynthia plans to attend all candidate presentations.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by M. FitzSimmons

Approved: Cynthia Robinson – ?