

Library Media Development Committee

October 28, 2015, Library 318

Minutes Meeting: LMC 15/15:02

Present: Derek Barr, Nancy Dennis, Nancy George, Lisa Mulman, and Jason Soohoo.

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m.

Old Business

Laura Quilter visit

It was reaffirmed that Laura Quilter, copyright librarian at U Mass Amherst, has accepted the committee's invitation to speak at Salem State on Wednesday, February 24 from 11-1.

Committee Name & Description

Though discussion of the committee's name and description was included on the agenda, Chair Nancy Dennis said that she had spoken with Carol Zoppel, last year's Chair. Apparently, the committee had approved a new name and new description last spring. It was therefore not necessary to continue the discussion. Committee members reviewed the 2015 year-end report of the LMDC, and deemed the new name, Library Development Committee, and associated description very adequate.

Chair Dennis will look into how these changes become institutionalized beyond being part of the accepted minutes of the All University Committee.

The following is excerpted from the LMDC 2015 year-end report:

"Revised Charge/Description of the Library Development Committee

In recognition of the Library's role as a campus-wide resource supporting scholarship, student success, and culture, it is important that the Library work in tandem with faculty, administration and students to develop and offer services, resources and programs that best support the needs of the SSU community. The Library is a service organization which can only benefit from regular collaboration with its constituents. The Library Development Committee serves as a vehicle for this collaboration.

The Committee will:

- increase awareness of the Library on campus;

- promote the Library and help it to be a cultural catalyst;
- aid the Library in developing and promoting exhibits and programming;
- advocate for the Library's position, role and resources on campus;
- enhance campus awareness of research methods and resources for research;
- collaborate with various academic departments and other units on campus such as CTI and ITS;
- create opportunities for outreach into the community.

The Committee is composed of: four faculty members (one from each area), two administrators (one from IT), three librarians, and one student. The Dean of the Library & Academic Support is an ex officio member of the Committee."

New Business

Following reaffirmation of the committee's new name and purpose, committee members brainstormed possible activities for 2015-16 and beyond. Suggestions included:

Publicity and programs for special collections within the library such as the Holocaust Collection and Archives

Establishment of a meeting place for graduate students

Classes for local residents, high school students, and special groups, like entrepreneurs on searching the internet

Outreach and marketing to the local community about access to library services, collections, and programs

Establishment of liaisons with local public libraries; joint offerings of programs

Build upon Education Librarian Jason Soohoo's outreach to area schools

Expansion of services for upper level undergraduates and graduate students

Establishment of a maker space

Holding receptions to publicize and celebrate special collections

Co-sponsoring of events with other groups on campus

Conduction of resume review workshops

Teaching of summer workshops for local high school students on getting ready for college research; teaching of workshops for recent college graduates (SSU and local community) on looking for a job and researching careers

Programs for young adults

Financial Literacy workshops

PDP programs for school teachers in the summer months

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Dennis, recorder, pro tem