

University Libraries Committee
Minutes
January 30, 2009

Members Present: Linda Bartoshuk, Kyle Huey, Rae Jesano (Chair) *Lela Lynch, Leah Rosenberg, Judy Russell & Brenda Smith

Members Absent: Akshat Agarwal, Erin Hawkins, David Leavitt, Frank Chapman, Ruth Lowery, Russ Metler, Jeff Needell & Ann Wainscott

* Took Minutes

Meeting called to order at 1:05pm

I Minutes Approval

Minutes were approved for December 17, 2008.

Judy Russell reported that at the January Faculty Senate Meeting they did approve the faculty tenure homes in January. We now have 6 tenure homes instead of 7.

II Make-up of the ULC/Relationship with Library Faculty Assembly

Rae Jesano reported that we may want to change the make up of the University Libraries Committee due to the merger & other changes going on in the library. She's spoken to Blake Landor who is a member of the Committee on Committees and he suggests that if we want to make changes that we should discuss it as a group and then once it's approved it will go to the Committee of Committees for approval, and from there it will go to Faculty Senate for final approval. If they do not approve it, it will be sent back to us for changes & resubmit the proposal. They are asking for nominations for committees now and nothing can really be done for another year.

III Developing a Presentation for Faculty Senate

Frank Bova said he was willing to make a 10-15 minute presentation to the Faculty Senate in terms of giving them greater awareness of the library. What story do we want to tell & when is the right time to tell it?

Another issue that was discussed at the last meeting is the movement towards Responsibility Centered Management. Judy asked if anyone has been exposed to it? Judy explained that Ohio State and a few other universities switched to RCM as a financing model. Under RCM the income earned by a specific college would go to that college. No one is currently doing a full RCM because some areas cannot earn enough to fully offset their expenses. July 1st we'll start an RCM shadow system so they can have a better sense of how they need to tweak or change the model to make it work. This would be a graduated transition. Judy is concerned that as they plan for this the library isn't forgotten about.

Below are the links associated with what was presented at Faculty Senate.

<http://www.senate.ufl.edu/senate/documents/Octobersenatemeeting.pdf>

<http://mediasite.video.ufl.edu/mediasite/Viewer/Viewers/Viewer320TL.aspx?mode=Default&peid=cc7e4ff2-4863-4057-b850-6be3bb10d831&pid=993e79fe-5be6-4f15-aaae-7ccfd8fe5a4a&playerType=WM64Lite>

Judy is going to talk to other deans of libraries that are already involved in the RCM process to see how they are doing under this new management.

IV HSCL Integration with Smathers

Judy reported that at the February meeting she'll be able to report more about the Health Science Center Integration with Smathers Library. The work groups are meeting all through February to report back to Judy regarding opportunities & issues of integration. Wallace & Judy will take the recommendations from each work group and draw up a plan. Judy is also working on the cost of integration. The goal is to have this completed by July 1st.

V eBooks

Judy reported that we are purchasing more ebooks and we are using this year to be more proactive with the users to see if they are using them more than printed books. We're working on a plan on how to assess whether to buy in print or electronic books. We've been talking across the state university system regarding collaborating buying. If we are increasing the ebooks presents and a user wanted to read the entire ebook, should we purchase a "Kindle" like reader to be able to check out? More information on this topic will become available later.

VI Fines & Fees Documents for Library Council

Two versions of the draft policy were handed out regarding Fines & Fees. In the past we did not receive the money from the fines, they were collected by the Provost office, however, starting this year we'll be receiving monies collected for Fees & Fines. To sum up the policy, if you've lost an item and have returned it before a replacement book has been purchased you will only have to pay the fine not the book replacement, however you'll still have to pay for the acquisition fee's that are occurred due to this lost book. In the past, if you've lost a book, paid for them & then found them years later – you were refunded your money. Currently this new policy is in draft form, Judy suggested that perhaps a DDD can be sent out for notification for faculty. Rae asked that perhaps it should be on the website as well. It was also suggested that it's posted via the Alligator. Should it go to Faculty Senate? It was thought that perhaps it should go as an informational item.

Should I attach the handouts?

VII Resolution on Funding Materials

We need to be sure of the wording and we have not received all the ballots yet. It was decided Rae needed to send out an email to all the committee members who have not voted on the resolution yet and then she'll present it to the infrastructure committee as an information item. Email ballots can be sent to [Lela Lynch](#). Judy will follow-up with Frank Bova regarding what ULC decides.

VIII Budget

Judy updated the committee that the library has been asked to plan for a 10% cut. Judy has asked each of her departments heads to turn in a report by February 6th on how they would absorb 10% cuts in their area. We currently have some salary savings due to vacant positions. In addition to getting the proposals from the departments, we'll be looking at a list of the vacant positions and try to determine which are critical to fill. Proposals are due to the Provost on March 4th. During the February meeting, Judy will be able to update the group further on these proposals.

Wrapping up, the next meeting is Friday, February 20, 2009. Judy will notify the ULC members when the next Townhall meeting is.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40pm.