

University Library Committee Minutes
Monday, October 17, 2014, 1-2:30pm
DH Hill Library

Members

Walt Wessels, Chair; Cassie Brinkman; Art Cooper; Chirag Gajjar; Kerry Havner; Martin Hubbe; Michael Hyman; Suzanne Kennedy-Stoskopf; Gary Little; Mitchell Moravec; Susan Osborne; Taylor Rogan; Emily Smith; Paul Williams

Staff

Susan Nutter, Vice Provost & Director of Libraries
Wendy Scott, Associate Director for Organizational Design & Learning
Chris Tonelli, Special Assistant to the Vice Provost & Director of Libraries

Guests

Greg Raschke, Associate Director for Collections & Scholarly Communication

Faculty Senate Resources and Environment Committee Meeting Update

Paul Williams reported that faculty concern regarding the latest journal cuts prompted the Faculty Senate Resources and Environment Committee to invite Susan Nutter to their most recent meeting. That committee believes that the Libraries isn't receiving the consistent resources it needs in order to maintain the collections. Consistent funding is going to be especially important as new fields emerge and new journals are created to support those fields. For NC State, this is most relevant to the CFEP. Both the Student and Faculty Senate have been discussing a Libraries fee separate from the ETF as a possible solution. SBP Rusty Mau has been very receptive to this idea. At UNC-CH, it isn't a fee, per se, but it is handled more as a gift opportunity that accompanies tuition bills.

Nutter pointed out that the Student Advisory Board was also receptive to such a fee, depending on the size of the fee. Their main concern is hours rather than collections.

Nutter also wants to explore the option of a fee for Centennial Partners, now that they have a library in close proximity. Michael Hyman pointed out that the student fee for Talley is \$290.

Walt Wessels asked Williams what issue was most important to the Senate. Williams responded that journals were the key element, and that not only do future cuts need to be avoided, journals need to be added. One proposal to the Libraries Fee would be to remove the Libraries' portion from the ETF and use that as a base with which to start.

Hyman noted that one concern with the fee is that the people who don't use the journals will be burdened with the fee. Williams suggested a tax on gross pay. Susan Osborne proposed that faculty could give their raises to library. Williams will bring this to the senate. Osborne added that a donation would be tax deductible.

ARL Data & Projections

Nutter will consult with the Faculty Senate if the Libraries officially decides to report their data without the NC LIVE numbers.

Hyman requested to see data that compares research dollars to collections expenditures, as well as data on how the collection is being used. Another comparison that might be interesting is overhead vs. ARL rank. Hyman also suggested that the Libraries position themselves at the top of the list when F&A is distributed. Williams thinks the fact that any money left over that the end of the fiscal year is hurting individual units and the University overall.

Visitor/Tour

Wendy Scott shared feedback from students that tours, even controlled ones, are disruptive. Tour requests are not declining. Currently, Saturday-Thursday after 1pm is off-limits to tours, as a rule. Only affiliated groups can tour K-12 students. A mini-tour is offered for groups not eligible for a full tour. No tours or unaffiliated visitors can come through the gates during Reading Days and exams.

Hyman suggested more interactive possibilities with the bookBot for visitors. Wessels wondered if charging a fee for non-scheduled tours is a possibility.

Future Agenda Items

- Makerspace Updates
- Institutional History Subgroup Update
- Fellows Project Update
- Osborne asked for a follow-up event, primarily for children, to the NC Lit Festival