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Minutes of the Library Operating Staff Advisory Committee (LOSAC)
Meeting – February 15, 2012
1:30 P.M.
Room 409

Present: Nancy Adams (LAC Representative), Stacey Bivens (Secretary), Pat Galvan, Tina Maxwell, Annie Oelschlager (Vice-Chair), Brian Prall (Chair), Jessica Williams (Historian)

I. Old Business

Approval of minutes

The minutes of 01/18/2011 were approved.

Archival Review

The committee reviewed and approved the following LOSAC documents to be archived in the Regional History Center:

Agenda 01/18/2011
Minutes 01/18/2011

LOSAC Constitution

Jessica Williams went through the LOSAC constitution, and did some editing. The LOSAC committee members looked at the changes and approved them. Next, the document will be sent to Dean Dawson for his approval, and then it will be shared with library operating staff. Some of the wording will remain as is until changes brought on by the library reorganization may cause changes to the number of LOSAC representatives.

E-mail Updates

Congratulations to Sherry Patterson, who accepted the position at the Music Library.

Search for Associate Dean for Public Services

A new search committee has been formed for the Associate Dean for Public Services position. Lynne Smith from Circulation is the Operating Staff representative on this committee.

II. New Business

Department Heads Meeting

TJ Lusher discussed the Vision 2020 Plan and the resulting IT changes. It's hoped that all the dead spots in the library will be fixed; IT will be paying to do this. Eventually the computer labs will be going away, and campus computing will be moving toward a coffee bar configuration. Printing will gradually move to pay-

for-print: Fall 2013, students will get 300 pages for free; Spring 2014, 100 pages free; Fall 2014, 100 pages free; Spring 2015, 100 pages free; Fall 2016, students will pay for all printing they do. Dean Dawson announced some aesthetic changes to the fourth floor of the library, including different carpeting and seating to encourage quiet study. He also said that the Libraries have not yet been asked to give back any budget money, and announced that many library employee retirements are possibly in the works. Also, Graduate Assistants had to pay back some money to the federal government for taxes that hadn't been paid. In collection development news, the University of Illinois at Chicago is giving us 100 Thai & Vietnamese items for the Southeast Asia collection. It remains to be seen how many of these are duplicates. The Friends of the Library would like to purchase new seating on the lower level next to the escalators. Also discussed at the meeting was the investigation of research leave. Some faculty are taking advantage of sabbaticals, and coming back with nothing to show for their time off. Rebecca Martin shared that IDS will receive an upgrade on Illiad on February 16. Cindy Ditzler and Katharine White are traveling to a law firm in Chicago to pick up paperwork about the lawsuit in the Rockford Public Schools. These papers will be added to the archives.

LAC Meeting

The LAC approved its October minutes. TJ Lusher discussed Primo. This database is not available to off campus users. The implementation of a "Shibboleth" or gate should rectify the situation, and make Primo "ready to launch" soon. However, it will be run by IT, and not by the Library Systems office. The search for a new Associate Dean for Public Services was discussed, and it's hoped that the position will be filled by July 1, 2012. By writing a best practices white paper for small institutions to create digital repositories, Drew Vandecreek and Lynne Smith received an ILMS grant. Dean Dawson talked about the Alexander Street Videos. These are online, streaming videos that feature opera and dance, visual & performing arts, filmmakers and a library of newsreels. This collection will be demonstrated in April. The library is considering purchasing a printing product called Espresso.

Metadata Librarian Search Committee

The search committee has been formed to fill this position. Wanda Enburg from Technical Services is the Operating Staff representative on this committee.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Stacey Bivens, Secretary