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Minutes of the Library Operating Staff Advisory Committee (LOSAC)
Meeting July 16, 2014
1:30 pm.
Room 409

Present: Ron Barshinger (Secretary), Kristen Lash (LAC Representative), Tina Maxwell (Vice-Chair), Annie Oelschlager (Chair). Margret Abbott (Historian).

Old Business

Approval of minutes

The minutes of June 18, 2014 were approved.

Archival Review

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

Agenda	June 18, 2014
Minutes	June 18, 2014

E-mail Updates

Kathy Sherman and Elizabeth Pottenger have retired as of June 30, 2014.

Nomination Ballot

A final ballot for the LOSAC board has been assembled and will be sent out to the staff within the next several weeks. This will complete the new committee for the 2014-2015 committee.

New Business

Department Heads
July 8, 2014

Department Heads, 07/08/15

Patrick reported that the State budget was signed by the Governor last week. However, this is not necessarily good news, as everyone, including the Governor, admits that the budget does not include enough money to cover everything that it is meant to cover. It does not address the Income Tax that is about to expire, for example, so that's a real problem, as we are pretty dependent on that money. The Income Tax issue is not likely to be addressed by the House or the Senate until November.

Patrick also said that we submitted 9 positions to University Administration for permission to rehire, and we have received permission for 3 of those (a Library Administration position to replace Kathy, a Library Specialist position that will work with metadata, and another one that they are tooling with a little). They will get another list later that may give permission to further rehire. We have submitted our Library Budget last week, but we don't know what our allocation is, so we just did our best. We are probably looking at a 3% or 4% reduction. Larissa Garcia, the new Librarian, will start on July 16, 2014. Her subject specialties will be FCNS and Art, plus she'll be in charge of Info Literacy. She'll probably teach the online component of UNIV105. Her office will be 145C, which is Marcia's old office. Also, Patrick says that Drew will be moving into Rebecca's old office soon.

Ete mentioned that today is the last day for the 4 Burmese Librarians, and that there will be a reception today in RBSC from 3:30-4:30. In October, we are to get 2 more Burmese librarians.

Jana didn't have any news to report, but she did want to discuss the IP ranges changing again, since that will affect Acquisitions, as Jim will need to inform all of our vendors, including a lot of smaller ones, and this will probably disrupt services. We are expecting the IP range change in October, and it's University-wide, so we don't have any control over it. As an aside, it will definitely affect IDS, and perhaps other services in User Services that I am not yet realizing.

Mike reported that Operating Staff throughout Special Collections (so, Rare Books, Gov Docs, and SEA) are going to create a plan to cover staff shortages if one of them is out.

TJ said that the University's CIO is forming a group, including herself, which will travel to several other universities to see how technology is integrated into the classroom. Joe reported that all the data was moved from the Novell server and that it should be turned off by Monday.

Cindy said that she and her staff are busy cleaning up and shifting some stuff in the Archives area of storage this week.

Incidentally, Kathy's old phone number is now ringing to Sharon's office, FYI. Kathy's position will be rehired, but they are rewriting some of that position first.

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None.

The next LOSAC meeting will be August 13, 2014.

LOSAC meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Barshinger
LOSAC Secretary