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Minutes of the LOSAC Spring Meeting with the Dean

Date: May 24, 2018

Time: 1:30pm

Founders Memorial Library, Staff Lounge

Present: Katja Marjetic (Chair), Dee Anna Phares (Vice-Chair), Michele Hunt (Secretary), Renee Kerwin (LAC representative)

Excused: Anthony Velazquez (Historian)

News and Updates

- Congratulations to Renee Kerwin and Stacy Bivens on being elected and re-elected, respectively, to Operating Staff Council.
- A few changes are coming to library space. The book sale materials are moving to the nook adjacent to the current periodicals near FO 145D. The new current reading collection will take its place. The third floor area where the “Read” posters used to hang will be the new home for the expanded graphic novel collection. There will be a variety of genres with a focus on social justice. If you have any suggestions, please let Wayne Finley or Beth McGowan know.
- The library is excited to be acquiring a permanent loan of another library Founders’ portrait. We currently have portraits of Glidden and Elwood. Haish’s portrait will be coming here from its previous home in the Masonic Temple on 4th Street. Part of the responsibility attached to the acquisition of Haish’s portrait is to raise funds for the restoration of its frame and canvas. The three portraits will be relocated to the west of our building. TJ has suggested the area be rebranded as the Founders Gallery. The space will be available to use for lectures and campus gatherings.
- Strategic planning is still in process. The Exploration Teams’ reports are in. They will be meeting with the Dean to discuss the key findings that they wish to share with everyone at our next all library meeting in June. There will be a steering committee that helps draft the official Strategic Planning Report. Even if you aren’t on the committee, your feedback is welcome.

Open Question & Comment Period

1. **What will the 71N area look like once construction is complete? Will there be a hallway again?**
 - The plan is for an open and casual working area for students to use and to act as an overflow space for the café in the Fall since it will be one of the only food establishments open on campus. Access to the Staff Lounge won’t always be through the café. The current plywood wall will come down and we can walk past the drinking fountain again to access the Lounge. Discover construction starts this summer and they still plan to have a walled partition of their own splitting the area.

2. Any update on the Presidential search planning?

- The preemptive planning committee is finishing up. 3 subcommittees are in charge of preparing for the process of the search itself, the contents of the contract, and the points of pride within the university. The subcommittees will present their findings to the Board of Trustees. The Board will then decide the next steps in the search process.

3. Will Joel Cochrane's Facility Manager position be filled?

- Yes, it is in the works as well as the Rare Books and Special Collections Curator position.

4. Cement around the dock is worn and crumbling. Anything we can do about it?

- The Dean will ask TJ if a work order has been submitted.

5. Hole in the ceiling in SEA collection is still there as well as a hole in the ceiling of the West stairwell.

- It's something Admin would like fixed, but with money issues it's tough to get it on the facilities priority list.

6. More dead birds outside the front of the library as well as goose poop that isn't being cleaned up in a reasonable amount of time.

- The Dean will follow up with TJ and the Grounds section of Facilities to see about having them picked up in a more timely fashion.

Conclusion

Fred appreciates our time, questions and comments. Please contact him if we have any more and he'll continue to keep us updated on anything new through e-mail and/or our all library monthly meetings.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:13pm.

Our next regular meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2018 at 1:30pm in Room 411.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michele Hunt, Secretary