COMMITTEE: Libraries Committee

MEETING DATE: November 15, 2017

PERSON PRESIDING: Lisa Beth Robinson

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Patricia Dragon, Colleen Janeiro, Eric Horsman, Heather Muise

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Al Jones, Beth Ketterman

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: n/a

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Approval of minutes from 18 October 2017 meeting

Discussion: Editorial modifications

Action Taken: Motion to approve the minutes as modified. Seconded. Approved unanimously.

Assigned additional duties to: Horsman: Make modifications and distribute final approved minutes.

Agenda Item: Joyner status report

Discussion: Lewis (Director of Academic Library Services) reported on the status of Joyner Library via email.

- Plans are progressing for replacing the front doors to the library, repairing an area in the basement damaged by leaks, and building a secure area there for confidential university records.
- We are excited by Jay Golden’s plans to raise funds for a data analytics and visualization area in Joyner Library that focuses on student research, and look forward to developing staff expertise in those areas.
- We have completed a draft revision of the joint Joyner/Laupus Libraries strategic plan and will submit it to IPAR following approval by the faculty at both libraries, in accordance with our Codes of Operation.
- Lewis met with the Harriot College Undergraduate Council last week to discuss our textbook affordability initiative. The faculty workshop on open educational resources and the Open Textbook Library was held on Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2017.
- Joyner Library has hosted a number of student-focused events recently, including the Racism & Propaganda in Jim Crow Era Pop Culture: A Closer Look exhibit and discussion, a screening of American Textures: Initiating Intergroup Dialogue Film Screening, the Graduate Student Art Exhibition, and the always-popular Game Night.
**Agenda Item:** Zero textbook cost initiative.

**Discussion:** The zero textbook cost initiative has been under discussion in many on-campus groups and committees recently. Yesterday the Faculty Senate voted down the proposal put forward by the Admissions & Retention Committee. While many senators generally supported the broad idea of the proposal, the specific implementation plan raised a number of concerns. If this matter were to be revisited in the future, it would be very helpful to have specific information and examples from other universities about how their programs were implemented. One major concern raised by the Faculty Senate was the proposed binary (e.g. zero-cost versus non-zero-cost) distinction used to classify courses.

**Action Taken:** None

**Assigned additional duties to:** None

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**Agenda Item:** Laupus status report

**Discussion:** Ketterman (Director of Laupus Library) reported on the status of Laupus Library.
- Installation of new carpeting on the 2nd floor of Laupus Library will soon be complete.
- By early December, facilities should be available for large-format (e.g. poster size) printing on fabric.

**Action Taken:** None

**Assigned additional duties to:** None

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**NEXT MEETING:** January 17, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in Joyner 2306

**ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:** Agenda to be determined.