COMMITTEE: Libraries Committee

MEETING DATE: January 18, 2017

PERSON PRESIDING: Al Jones (chair)

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Patricia Dragon, Eric Horsman, Al Jones, Heather Muise, Jeni Parker, Christopher Rivera, Lisa Beth Robinson

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Beth Ketterman, Jonathan Lee, Jan Lewis

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Joseph Thomas

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Approval of minutes from 16 November 2016 meeting

Discussion: n/a

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

Assigned additional duties to: n/a

Agenda Item: Report from Joseph Thomas, Assistant Director for Collections & Scholarly Communication

Discussion: Thomas presented three items of interest regarding the library:

(1) A new discovery service will be used to power OneSearch on the library website. We are moving to an EBSCO product after using the ProQuest Summon system. After implementation of the switch is complete, the results screen following a search will look slightly different. A new interface is now being drafted and is expected to be ready to show the Libraries Committee in March.

(2) A zero textbook cost initiative is moving forward on several fronts. Currently, the library has ebooks available for a wide assortment of textbooks used by faculty. Online repositories of open textbooks also exist. On campus, a pilot program is now in progress to support faculty changing courses to be free of physical textbooks. Mini-grants are available to faculty to facilitate this transition. Further, efforts are underway to add a new zero textbook cost designation to the course catalog.

(3) A process is now beginning to update shelving in the basement of Joyner Library. This update will happen while workers evaluate and address water leakage issues in the closed compact shelving room. As part of this process, current holdings in the basement (e.g. microform, print journals) will be reevaluated.

Action Taken: The Committee is supportive of these plans, but acted only in an advisory role. No official actions were taken.

Assigned additional duties to: n/a

Agenda Item: Library status reports

Discussion:

- Lewis (Director of Academic Library Services) reported on the status of Joyner Library.
  - The Joyner annual report was distributed in mid-December and is also available on the library website. Feedback on the report would be appreciated.
  - Local news prominently covered the *Beyond Bricks and Mortar: Revisiting the Sycamore Hill Community* project at the end of December. This photography and oral history project documents the people who resided in the neighborhood adjacent to the historic Sycamore Hill Baptist Church on what is now the Town Common and surrounding area. The predominately African American community was displaced by an urban redevelopment project in the 1960's. Heather White has done an outstanding job envisioning and executing this project. We've selected the photographs that will be featured in the exhibit, which will open later this month in the Faulkner Gallery, and are in the process of selecting excerpts from interviews with the participants to include with the photos. There will be a community event on March 3, followed by a community scanning day on March 4
  - The textbook affordability program continues to grow, funded in part by an LSTA grant administered by the State Library of North Carolina. As one of the leaders in the state, Joyner Library partnered with UNC Greensboro Libraries and NC State Libraries on a proposal to UNC General Administration for funding for a program to increase baseline knowledge about open educational resources across the UNC system. We received word in early January that the proposal was accepted. The first part of the program is a workshop for faculty and librarians on May 19 at Hunt Library at North Carolina State University. It will feature Jeff Gallant from Affordable Learning Georgia as well as faculty and librarians from UNC institutions who have created or adopted open educational resources. More information will be provided when the full agenda is set.
  - Kacy Guill decided to step down as Assistant Director for Special Collections. John Lawrence will serve as interim Assistant Director for approximately 18 months. We anticipate advertising for the position in January 2018, with a start date of July 1, 2018.
  - As part of its FY2016-17 audit plan, the University Office of Internal Audit completed an audit of Academic Library Services time and leave reporting processes. Some errors were identified with individual faculty and staff annual vacation and sick leave records. We have filed a plan of action to address the errors.
  - The Music Library renovation is complete. Staff are thrilled with the new space, furniture and equipment, and with the use they are seeing, particularly of the new group study/viewing space.
  - Ketterman and Lewis submitted a request to Academic Council in December for $1,118,600 in reallocation funds to pay for the 2017 subscription to the Elsevier Freedom and Cell Press Collections. This request was funded in full by Academic Council. We are very appreciative of these one-time funds, but still need to work to increase the permanent allocation for the Virtual Library budget. We will also try to work with the Carolina Consortium to negotiate a better multi-year license agreement with Elsevier. The current agreement runs through December 31, 2018
- Ketterman (Interim Director of Laupus Library) reported on the status of Laupus Library.
  - The new systematic review service has been very popular. Staff are considering ways to build upon this success.
  - Laupus is co-sponsoring the Voyages of Discovery Lecture on 31 January 2017 by Keith Wailoo. The scheduled title of the lecture is *Pain: A Political History*.
  - The Country Doctor Museum currently has a display available on the 3rd floor of Joyner.

Action Taken: n/a

Assigned additional duties to: n/a

Agenda Item: New business

Discussion: Please contact Jones with any agenda items for the next meeting.

Action Taken: n/a

Assigned additional duties to: n/a

NEXT MEETING: February 15, 2017 3:00 p.m. Joyner 2306

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: TBA