Minutes - Libraries Committee Meetings
3:00 pm, Wednesday, 28 November 2018
Room 2306, Joyner Library

Attendance: Eric Horsman, Patricia Dragon, Tom Shields, Heather Muise, Jan Lewis, Beth Ketterman, Margit Schmidt, Shannon Powell, Noah Shuler, Colleen Janeiro

1. Approval of minutes

Motion: Shuler, Second: Muise
Approved

2. Joyner Library report (Dragon, with notes from Jan Lewis)

- Academic Affairs Faculty Book Author reception was successful
- Blackbeard 300 Family Fun Day was successful. Joyner Library planning a family event in conjunction with Homecoming for 2019
- New University Records Manager is Amy Bright. Has already conducted in-person training for those who have records responsibilities. There are new procedures in place for submitting and retrieving records from the Record Center (basement of Joyner Library). Contact Amy Bright for details.
- Current Periodicals will move from current location on 1st floor to the NC Collection on 3rd floor.
  - Tom voiced concern about crowding out the NC collections
- In lieu of a 20-page report, the library will publish a tri-fold brochure

3. Laupus Library report (Ketterman)

- Trunk or Treat was a success
- Author recognition was restructured. Majority of comments were positive
  - Alternatives to calling 119 author names discussed
- 1-time end of year fund to make ends meet is expected
- Country Doctor Museum Anniversary Celebration – Dec 8, 10-3
- Approaching final exams a daily list of hours to be posted to the Laupus Library website. Usage of library to be tracked using 1-card
- At Laupus, pizza, donuts, coloring, “de-stress express,” and “cram cart” will be provided for students
- Laupus the week before break will stay open to 10 pm for dental and medical students

4. Evaluation of Scholarly Productivity (Horsman)

- Committee has been tasked with establishing guidelines of evaluating scholarly productivity.
• The goal is to provide faculty looking to publish how to evaluate *where* to publish, as well as aiding those evaluating faculty’s publications.
• Horsman provided some draft guidelines.
• Margit brought up predatory journals and was discussion on avoiding publishing in them.
• Patricia commented the document may encourage departments to have the conversations they aren’t having now about publishing and where to (or not to) publish.
• Margit suggested a list of predatory journals, but upon discussion maintaining it might be difficult.
• Tom suggested the unit/unit should be responsible for mentoring faculty; in some departments faculty members (the author) may need to explain why they choose to publish in one journal instead of another.
• Beth pointed out that in that case, they have already published, but we want them to think about *where* they are publishing. We might want to start with the graduate students. Currently there are no trans-disciplinary courses required for all graduate students, but some departments have research method courses where this may be discussed.
• Eric will take feedback and expand the draft. Will email and we can discuss at the next meeting.

5. **Old business**

• Scholarly Communications Committee
  ▪ Patricia: deadline has passed. $10k-$15k for each side of campus. All funds will be dispersed.
  ▪ Shannon pointed out one application WAS a predatory journal on the Health Sciences campus.
  ▪ Eric asked how Shannon determined it was a predatory journal.
  ▪ Shannon stated that as they went through each journal, there were specific things the committee looked for. She did say having a reference librarian to lead/aid in evaluation was critical.
  ▪ Open-access journals were discussed as they are good for quick publishing for grants, but may not be appropriate.
  ▪ Flier for alternative textbook grants will be available soon. Deadline is in January. The money goes to the department, not the faculty member.

6. **New business**

Noah has a class conflict during spring semester, so a new student will serve as the student body representative. He was thanked for serving on the committee.

7. **Adjourn**

Janeiro moved to adjourn, Schuler seconded