

**COMMITTEE:** Libraries Committee

**MEETING DATE:** 10/18/2013

**PERSON PRESIDING:** Robert Campbell

**REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Amy Lyndon, Gail Munde, Chris Oakley, Qin Ding, Imre Patyi, Robert Campbell, Patricia Dragon

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Jan Lewis, Beth Thompson

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Agenda Item: Update on Libraries committee code, the status of tenure for librarians

Discussion: Currently there are a lot of appointed interim positions, largely due to the tenure issue. These are all just temporary until the libraries can make permanent positions after tenure decision. Munde asks what's going on with SPA positions. Lewis replies that those positions are moving along and getting people, but some positions were cut with the budget cuts. Oakley inquires in what order the Chancellor will receive the recommendations on the progress? The self-study isn't always reviewed before the decisions are made about the code. Lewis says these two issues – committee code and the self-study – may not be directly related. How does the faculty manual apply if there is currently no code? Some librarians will have a unit code and some will not. How will they handle that? We're not exactly sure how that's being handled. Campbell says that "efficiencies is the byword", but it's been that way for several years. Lewis says she hasn't received feedback about the changes as of yet. Lyndon asks whether there's any way we can try to prepare for any potential anticipated changes or cuts. Lewis says no, that the cuts will probably come from acquisitions, operating costs, and positions. We'll just need to wait for the outcome of the committee code and budget decisions.

Action Taken: None

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Agenda Item: Survey of faculty as a goal

Discussion: Lewis will be doing a survey of the faculty regarding library use in the spring. Lyndon offered to provide early feedback on the survey. We may wish to get faculty testimonials on use and areas for improvement by using the libraries.

Action taken: We will all provide feedback on the survey prior to it being sent out in the spring.

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Agenda Item: What are our objectives for 2013-2014?

Discussion:

- 1) Unit Code: We accomplished the resolution and brought it to the Chancellor. Done
- 2) Gaining Momentum: Getting faculty involved in building and weeding library collections. More work needed
- 3) Book storage: Lewis says the cost maybe the same with automated as offsite storage, as was found at Texas Christian University. Confidential records moved from ABC storage to a better facility. Just not books, just university paperwork.

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- 4) Fiscal sustainability of the libraries: How do we keep up with the inflation and the increasing subscription rates for journals? More work needed.
  - 5) Scholarly communication Initiatives; Open Access Models: Lyndon says we need more communication about which journals are open access and predatory. What are the good journals, both for pay journals and open access? Joseph Thomas is doing a talk later. We should probably ask faculty the quality of the journals in their disciplines for both pay and open access journals.
  - 6) Fund raising. Oakley says we may wish to have an award for people who use the libraries to do their work/research who have been successful at it. This could raise fundraising opportunities. Qin and Lewis say we have 3 students awards, and Oakley and others agree we should have faculty ones too. Qin suggests that we need to raise awareness of awards in general, as well.

Action taken: None

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Agenda Item: Scholarly communication survey.

Discussion: Dragon says we have two new library guides, copy agent, data management, reference manager task force in Joyner. RefWorks has support items like EndNote, etc. There will be new programs on predatory publishing on 10/22 @ 3:30.

Other events: open access week, NC Coastal Atlas open house, author identifiers- how to find authors when using a different name. This is still being tested on SCOPUS on databases trial web-page.

Munde: How to heighten your profile using it in tenure and author identifier; Lyndon suggests using Research Gate (www.researchgate.net). Ding mentioned there may be copyright issues with posting full text of articles online, so you can skip that step.

Action taken: None

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Agenda Item: Other business

Discussion: Ding says she used VPN to subscribe to on campus and she couldn't connect to specific resources in the library.

Action taken: Re: VPN, Lewis said the procedure should work, we will ask faculty and students to see if this is a widespread problem.

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