

COMMITTEE: Libraries Committee

MEETING DATE: 2/20/2013

PERSON PRESIDING: Robert Campbell

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Amy Lyndon, Chal Benson, Chris Oakley, David Wilson-Okamura, Gail Munde, Qin Ding

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jan Lewis, Runying Chen

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Beth Ketterman (sitting in for Dottie Spencer)

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Review of the Library Report presented at the December Faculty Senate Meeting regarding the Libraries Unit Code status and the tenure and faculty status for librarians at ECU.

Discussion:

The report was given to the Faculty Senate in December and the proposed resolution was passed, with very little discussion. Lewis reported that the chancellor doesn't need to approve the resolution, as no action was requested. Chancellor Ballard wants to follow through with the report on the alternative model of structuring the Libraries first, then decide about faculty status for librarians.

Wilson-Okamura questioned whether the Libraries Committee had any additional role to play in this matter. After some discussion, many committee members were unsure as to the specific goal of the need for alternative unit models to be produced (including the tenure and faculty status options for librarians). It is difficult to suggest changes when the goal or outcome is ambiguous. The Library Committee was unsure of the standards by which the report would be judged.

Action Taken: Lewis will contact Provost Sheerer to see if she would like to meet with the Libraries Committee to discuss the goal and standards for the report.

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Update on Joyner Library activities by Lewis

Discussion: Both Libraries will report at least one alternative model to the current unit structure of the libraries to the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences, due on March 1st, 2013. The report is not an official document per unit code requiring a vote of an endorsement of the alternative model(s); it is just a report as requested by the administration. Both Joyner and Laupus librarians will have a chance to see and comment on the document prior to being submitted to the Chancellor. Munde asked about the outcome of the consultants hired to provide structure and feedback on the models. There

has been no consultant report, only phone calls afterwards to some librarians and to the Provost.

Lewis reported the following for Joyner Library:

Joyner will be moving to a new schedule in August 2013, open 24 hours 4 days a week; the library will close on weekend nights, but not weekday nights.

Three requests for one-time operating funds were approved:

- \$69,750 to replace the Zeutchel 14000 A1 FS scanner for Digital Collections
- \$15,000 for a new overhead scanner for interlibrary loan
- \$10,903 for a server for the North Carolina Coastal Atlas. This was a joint request with the Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences

The budget transfers for the 2012-13 enrollment increase have been made:

- \$24,240 to the Joyner operating budget
- \$40,400 to the Virtual Library budget

Oakley and Lewis discussed the upcoming retirement of Maury York, Assistant Director of Special Collections. Praising York, Lewis reported that his replacement position would currently be a fixed-term position (or two). Lyndon and Oakley agreed that it would be difficult to hire an effective librarian for a Special Collections at a fixed-term level, given the need to build relationships with private donors, which takes time and investment in the university.

The committee also discussed the external review of the libraries. External reviewers will be on campus from May 13th-15th and may wish to meet with the Libraries Committee. Joyner's external reviewers will be John Ulmschneider, University Librarian and Professor, VCU Libraries, Virginia Commonwealth University, and Kathlin L. Ray, Dean of Libraries and Teaching and Learning Technologies, University of Nevada at Reno. The internal reviewer is Dr. Robert Chin, Professor, Department of Technology Systems, College of Technology and Computer Science. Mark Sanders and Patricia Dragon are co-chairing the group that is writing the Joyner self-study, which is due on April 1.

Spencer sent in a report via email for Laupus Library:

Laupus Library has been asked to host Silvia Cubrei, Deputy Director of the National Scientific and Medical Library of Moldova on May 19th – 22nd. Silvia is this year's Cunningham Traveling Fellowship winner from the Medical Library Association. She will travel from Moldova to Boston for the International Medical Library meeting and will make her way through the US, including Greenville.

Beth Ketterman was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Collection Development Section of MLA. In addition, Beth, Kathy Cable, and Jeannie Hover from Joyner won this year's Dan Richard's prize for the best article on collection development for the year. They will receive their award at the Honors and Awards Luncheon in Boston during the MLA meeting in May.

Action Taken: None at this time

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: SACS report relevant to the libraries.

Discussion:

Campbell reported that the Library Committee needs to review the list of priorities relevant to SACS. Sprague added Academic freedom to our list. The committee agreed this was an important issue. Rita Reeves from IPAR may be contacting us to speak at a meeting about the relevant principles for SACS. Lewis said that the following principles were judged as relevant:

- 2.9: Learning resources and services
- 3.4.12: Technology use
- 3.8.1: Learning/information services
- 3.8.2: Instruction of library use
- 3.7.3: Qualified staff

Action Taken: Campbell will contact Rita Reeves regarding a meeting.