

COMMITTEE: Libraries Committee

MEETING DATE: 21 September 2011

PERSON PRESIDING: Cheryl McFadden

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: David Okamura, Cheryl McFadden, Chal Benson, Robert Campbell, Chris Oakley

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Larry Boyer, Dorothy Spencer, Hunt McKinnon, Tim Fitzgerald

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Marianna Walker, Lori Lee

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Election of officers

Action Taken: The Committee elected Cheryl McFadden Chair, Robert Campbell Vice Chair, and Chris Oakley Secretary

Agenda Item: Selection of goals for 2011-2012

Discussion: Committee members discussed the 2010-2011 annual report compiled by Chairperson McFadden. Committee members discussed the issue of open access and how it affects students and faculty members. Members suggested various ways, including a videos and fact sheets, to inform faculty members of information regarding this issue. The Committee selected six goals for the 2011-2011 academic year.

Action Taken:

Goal 1: Assist staff and faculty of both libraries to make presentations in meetings of the ten colleges throughout the academic year. Larry Boyer and Dorothy Spencer will help provide the committee with a list of dates to meet with the colleges.

Goal 2: Encourage the university to present changes or additions to library use to the Libraries Committee in a timely manner so that they may stay informed and be able to deliver a report to the Faculty Senate on said changes.

Goal 3: Keep abreast of the SACS process as it relates to the university libraries culminating in a report to the Faculty Senate.

Goal 4: The Libraries Committee will serve as an advisory group to the Scholarly Communications Committee and its chair, Joseph Thomas of Joyner Library, to help promote awareness and best practices for scholarly communications at ECU.

Goal 5: Discuss open versus closed stacks.

Goal 6: The Committee will keep abreast and review the Library Directors' recommendations provided to the PPC.

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Location of the Math Lab.

Discussion: Dean Boyer reported a new math lab may be located in Joyner Library.

Action Taken: The Committee passed a resolution in response to the possible location of a 4,000 square foot math lab in Joyner (see resolution below). The resolution will be added to the Faculty Senate agenda for the Oct. 4 meeting and be presented as part of the Committee Report to the Faculty Senate by Chairperson McFadden.

NEXT MEETING: 19 October 2011

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

LIBRARIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Proposed Resolution Concerning Placement of the Math Lab

- WHEREAS**, campus administrators have proposed that a Math Lab requiring some 4,000 square feet of space will be housed in Joyner Library within the next six months; and
- WHEREAS**, the East Carolina University Faculty Senate acknowledges the value of such a facility; and
- WHEREAS**, the 2009 report from Eva Klein & Associates found that Joyner Library had a 10% space deficit at that time and that such deficit was projected to growth to 50% by 2025; and
- WHEREAS**, Joyner Library has recently accommodated the Pirate Tutoring Center, the Writing Center, and Project STEPP; and
- WHEREAS**, the library has room for only five years of growth in the General Collections; and
- WHEREAS**, a recent report of the Special Collections Division, which includes the University Archives, the Manuscripts and Rare Books Department, and the North Carolina Collection revealed a need for 12,000 square feet of growth space for collections in the coming years; and
- WHEREAS**, the University Archives and Records Center cannot carry out its fiduciary responsibility to manage the official records of East Carolina University without additional space; and
- WHEREAS**, the placement of the Math Lab in Joyner Library on short notice would be disruptive to essential services, workflows and staffing; and
- WHEREAS**, the Math Lab will eventually be housed in a new student union.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Faculty Senate asks that the Chancellor's Executive Council make available another location or use modular unit(s) to accommodate the Math Lab until such time as the new student union building is constructed.