COMMITTEE: Libraries Committee

MEETING DATE: October 15, 1997

PERSON PRESIDING: Henry Ferrell

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Description of action:
Minutes of September meeting accepted

Description of action:
Dr. Ringiesen: Report on economic crises facing libraries. Budget changes have left library short for items such as shelving, etc. In addition, ten new faculty positions needed, more student positions needed. State didn't give increase in library funds this year, therefore is asking Chancellor for $100,000 out of reallocation funds each year. Dr. Ringiesen doesn't believe library should be funded with one-time funds every year, would like to see $100,000 as permanent funds every year. Hopeful library needs can be met when ECU is granted doctoral granting status and in two years can increase library positions.

Discussion of requirements for new director (needs to be well versed in technology and management). Hours over holidays - as doctoral status comes in and graduate programs grow - library will have to be open more.

Dr. Ringiesen: Library committee should decide what things we can do in the library to help with determination of allocation of funds and how to maximize use of those funds.

Assigned additional duties to:
Dr. Ringiesen will find out what formula is used to determine state allocation funds (used to improve university in general) and report back to committee.

Description of action:
Libraries Committee representative to Library Director Search Committee is Tibor Hortobagyi. Report by T. Hortobagyi on first meeting of search committee, This committee would like to interview potential library directors and wants library representatives to be informed when candidate is on campus.

Additional Duties:
T. Hortobagyi will bring job description to committee and will keep this committee informed of action.

Description of action:
Courier services - response by Dr. Spencer distributed to members.

Completion date/Follow-up action required:
Dr. Ferrell will send letter to Dr. Spencer expressing our appreciation and hope for continued good service. Committee will continue to keep lines of communication open regarding courier services.

Description of action:
Discussion of Joyner holiday schedule - Schedule
distributed to committee. Discussion of how schedule is established. Concern of faculty is that when library closes for holidays and breaks the faculty is denied opportunity to use library. For some faculty the only opportunity to use library is when students are gone. Need SPA employees to keep library open during breaks and holidays. G. Munde would like to make sure library will not be closed for extended period of time.

Follow-up action:
More concrete proposal in future will be reviewed by this committee for suggestions and input.

Description of action:
K. D'Angelo: discussion of journal collections, final cancellation list distributed to members.

NEXT MEETING: November 19, 1997 at 3:00 p.m.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Time for future meetings.