

Minutes - Libraries Committee Meeting

3:00 pm, Wednesday, 17 October 2018

Room 2306, Joyner Library

Attendance: Eric Horsman, Caitlin Ryan, Patricia Dragon, Tom Shields, Heather Muise, Jan Lewis, Beth Ketterman, Noah Shuler

1. Approval of minutes

Motion: Muise, Second: Lewis

Discussion: hand-write any amendments to correct errors, give to Eric for compilation

Approved

2. Joyner Library report (Lewis)

- All vacancies posted on website
 - Vacancies: Science Librarian, Digital Collections Strategist, Outreach and Instruction Librarian for Special Collections in NC, Assistant University Archivist, Records Manager, TRC Education & Instructional Design Librarian, and a staff position in Scholarly Communication
 - Assessment and Data Visualization Strategist position, EHRA non-faculty: quantitative and qualitative assessment of use, transactions, catalog; creating new materials to use with donors; report stats to national organizations; quality control work; user surveys; be sure to communicate results/outcomes/stories and share with various audiences
 - Digital Collections Strategist position is perhaps most seriously needed
- Considering organizational structures; getting input from faculty and staff
- Events: Blackbeard 300 Family Fun Day, Golden Alumni as part of Homecoming – will show video of clips from reunion year, Faculty book author awards, ECU THATCamp
- Laptop kiosk is popular, getting good feedback; Student Center and Bate may follow – are now getting guidance from Joyner staff
- Applications for open access publishing support fund now being accepted

3. Laupus Library report (Ketterman)

- Rethinking open position – supporting the School of Medicine, focusing on research enterprise, focused support on research endeavors with med school faculty
- Collections manager just resigned to work for Smithsonian's Air and Space – position helps conserve and preserve artifacts between ECU and Country Doctor Museum
- Positions will begin posting next week
- Representative from Division of Health Sciences will be meeting with Parking and Transportation to discuss changes and their effects on students, faculty, staff – especially students who use the library later in the evening, safety, etc.
- Health Sciences author recognition event in November
- Monday's Medical History Interest Group lecture from member of Bioethics Department – Entering a White Profession...
- Trunk or Treat event on 10/26 at Laupus – open to entire university community, 6:30-8:00 --- Storybook Theater, decorations, candy distribution

4. **Scholarship value in “fee for publishing” open-access journals (Horsman)**

- Following up on charge from last year: at end of last year, previous chair of the faculty talked with people and the committee was forwarded a letter describing what John Stiller hopes this committee can do: Scholarship Value on fee-for-publishing.....
- Package of information can be sent electronically from Eric
- Letter from David Loy: issue arose around how to deal with faculty’s publication record within pay-to-publish journals; no official policy from the university; request for such a statement/policy
- Eric’s suggested starting points: understand the issue, look for best practices being done elsewhere, find documents for guidance within different fields (“content experts” to consult); OR could say we cannot create such a policy that is reasonable for the university
- Heather: each unit has code that discusses how to evaluate scholarship of faculty, so overarching policy won’t be possible
- Eric: some fields expect payment (page charges) for top journals but some resources might be helpful for developing guidelines for what’s reasonable for evaluating outlets
- “Guidelines” instead of “policy”
- CR: different situations, all charges, are very different: paid journals vs. page charges vs. pay to make/keep your article open access
- Jan: sharing research guides that are available through the library:
libguides.ecu.edu/journalpub and libguides.ecu.edu/journalpub/evals
- Be sure to state fluidity of the state of the field of publishing, repackage LibGuides materials; add reference to reputable professional organizations
- Want to fill in specific links or stay really general?
- Keep focus on education around the importance and relevance of open access – some universities/government grants are requiring open access!
- Eric will draft an initial attempt and will share along with attempts from other universities; audience will be primarily folks who are evaluating others’ materials

5. **Old business**

- Faculty in Laupus approved code revisions and are getting it through the Code Screening Committee
- Zero Textbook Cost initiative – currently in Student Government and working with Registrar

6. **New business**

None

7. **Adjourn**

Shields moved to adjourn, Shuler seconded