

University Libraries Committee
Minutes
February 23, 2012

Members Present: Sophia Acord, Larry Forthun, Stacey Galloway, Mario Poceski, Dan Reboussin, Christine Ross, Judy Russell, Isabel Silver, Scott Tomar

Also Present: Lela Johnson (taking minutes)

Members Absent: David Anusontarangkul, Sontosh Epuri, Clair Germain, Terry Harpold, Guenther, Swati Kapoor, Leda Kobzair, Mary Thigpen, Matthew White, Kristina Wilson, Jennifer Wondracek

I Minutes Approval (Poceski)

January minutes were approved.

II Dean's Report (Russell)

24/5 Access to Library West-Counts are being done every hour to see how many people are in the library. We are still unsure if we'll be closing the fourth floor. The most recent week, through February 23: cumulative counts were: 1561, 1368, 1844, 2097 and 1726. Starbucks is remaining open during the same hours as the library as well. We have not had any issues with security.

Historic Preservation Committee-Plans have been drawn up to have the colonnade (covered walkway) to Smathers Library, making the building much more inviting & visually open up the space in front of the building. The library will pay for the demolition of the colonnade, but will be seeking financial support from potential donors for beautification.

Other Renovations-The Grand Reading room in Smathers Library is having the back temporary wall during Spring Break 2012.

Judy made a brief presentation to the RCM Committee today. She did a shortened version of what was presented last year, with the current numbers. Judy offered to email ULC members the slide show presentation.

Faculty Raises-In-Unit faculty will not be getting the 3% raise

Early March the budget will come out from the BOG.

III Open Access (Silver)

The Open Access publishing fund has now been expended and we are waiting for refunding.

IV Academic Outreach/Authors@UF (Silver)

The first Authors@UF event was launched last night with Norman Goda as part of our Smathers Libraries Campus Conversations Series. The event was well attended and the largest proportion was community members with equal number of faculty, staff and students. We will be trying to do at least two a semester, in Fall & Spring. We do have a special speaker coming during the Summer B semester, however.

V Update Faculty Senate Presentation (Poceski)

ULC presented a discussion item at the last Faculty Senate Meeting. The presentation was divided into three parts, ULC can provide a copy of the presentation if anyone desires to review the document.

At the next Faculty Senate meeting (March), faculty will vote to endorse the Berlin Declaration and also to charge the ULC to develop a draft OA policy for UF.

It was decided that Christine Ross would monitor the Faculty Senate Forum & send out for a faculty member to respond. Larry Forthun asked if he could use the presentation at his next departmental faculty meeting, Mario is going to email him a copy of it.

VI Additional Agenda Items?

None noted

VII Wrap-up

- a. March Meeting Topics
- b. April Meeting? It was decided that we'd combine March & April's meeting on April 9, 2012.
 - Meeting Topics for March/April Meeting
 - i. Faculty Senate Meeting in March