

University Libraries Committee Minutes

October 25, 2022

3:00 pm – 4:55 pm

Members Present: Riya Chakraborty, Lynne Clark, Josepha Cheong (Chair), Wendy Dahl, Fletcher Durant, Melody Marino, Jennifer McAninch, Christine Myers, Jane O'Connell, Anand Paul, Judith Russell, Rae Yan

Also Present: Hallie Mills (taking the minutes), Misty Colson

Members Absent: Vandana Baweja (Co-Chair), Katie Basinger-Ellis, Hilton Etienne, Czerne Reid

The meeting commenced at 3:07 pm.

Minutes Approval (August & September)

- Minutes for August, September, and October will be approved at the next meeting on November 28, 2022.

Research & Scholarship/Infrastructure Council Meetings Update

- The ULC Chair reported that the continuing big news is the electronic notebook service. They are debating on a number of different services and have narrowed it down to three. Mark Segal, College of Medicine Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Professional Development, is chairing that committee with representation from seven different colleges, so anything that is going to go on there is going to forward to the Research & Scholarship and Infrastructure Council Meeting.

University Curriculum Committee (UCC) Follow Up

- This was attended by the ULC Co-Chair. This was the second UCC meeting where including library literacy information on syllabi was brought up formally by Associate Provost Lindner. It was tabled at the first meeting due to discussions about HB 7 and its effect on faculty and teaching staff. At the meeting this morning, October 25, 2022, everyone seemed to agree that it was important to include, but the opposition was due to concern that the requirements had been expanded to the point that the insertion of one more thing would make the documents unreadable for most incoming undergraduates.

Dean's Report – Judith Russell

- The Smathers Libraries have been participating in the electronic notebook discussions and are on standby to support whatever decision is made and expect to participate in the training and implementation of the new program.
- Library Leadership Board (LLB) Meeting: The Library Leadership Board is a group that is comprised of mainly outside advisors. The most recent meeting, October 13, 2022, was positive, with quite a bit of discussion about fundraising priorities and the LLB's role.

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Law Library Update – Jane O'Connell

- Things are good in the midst of the semester.
- A survey will be distributed to the College of Law's faculty to get feedback about some of the Law Library's resources and services.
- Preparations are ongoing for the big renovation coming this summer.

Additional Topics

- The Monday, October 31, 2022, Harry Potter event is postponed.
- Recruitment is still ongoing for a new Smathers Libraries Director of Development and Advancement. A strong candidate will be interviewing on November 1, 2022. The posting is open for a couple more weeks.
- The Marston Science Library fourth floor is fairly close to reopening, and the fifth floor is expected to reopen by mid to late December. Marston has been at about 65% capacity with the two floors shut down, but the building will be fully renovated when the fourth and fifth floors are completed.
- The Archaeological Institute of America Lecture was a success and additional lectures are expected in the Spring.
- There will be a [Three-Minute Thesis \(3MT\) Competition](#) at the Graduate School on November 3, 2022.

Wrap-up/Topics for Monday, November 28, 2022 Meeting

- The Chair mentioned that early voting started October 24, 2022, and will go until November 5, 2022. The main site on campus is at the Reitz Union.
- The Faculty Senate is having an emergency meeting to consider a No Confidence Vote in the Selection Process of the 13th President of the University of Florida. You can find the agenda [here](#), and the resolution [here](#). The meeting will be from 3-5pm in the Reitz Union Chamber. It will also be livestreamed [here](#). November 10, 2022, is when the Board of Governors will make the final and official vote.
- Information about the president search is available at <https://presidentsearch.ufl.edu/submit-feedback/>.

The meeting adjourned at 3:28 pm.