

Faculty Senate Library Committee Minutes

March 14, 2007

Approved April 11, 2007

Present: Sr. Rita Basta, Sue Curzon, Marianne Afifi, Mara Houdyshell, Susan Auerbach, Lesley Krane, Tim Karels, Mary Woodley, Peter Prager

Absent/Excused: Rick Covington, Elizabeth Sellers, Dat-Dao Nguyen, Yifei Sun, Dino Vrongistinos, Ramon Garcia

Guest: Lynn Lampert

1. Information Literacy Update - Lynn Lampert

Lynn Lampert, Reference & Instructional Services Chair, gave the committee a PowerPoint presentation on Information Literacy (IL). Points covered were:

- Information Literacy history, in general, and on this campus
- CSU, and especially CSUN, at the forefront of IL incorporation into educational process
- The spread of nation-wide discussion, acceptance and integration of IL into higher education
- What's currently taking place on this campus in regards to IL, and future plans
- The role of assessment in IL

2. Approval of 2-7-07 minutes – Sr. Rita

The February 7, 2007 Library Committee Minutes were approved as written.

3. Signing Committee's Letter of Support for Library Funding - Sr. Rita

Those present signed the Committee's letter of support for increased permanent Library funding that will be sent to the President and Provost. Those not at the meeting will be emailed with instructions on how they too can sign.

4. Dean's Report- Sue

a. The official opening of the Library's exhibit: **Celebrating Comic Books: An American Tradition** was Tuesday, March 6, 2007. The exhibition is drawn from the Oviatt Library's collections, and traces the development of comic books from their beginnings in the 1930's to the end of the 20th century. Dr. Charles Hatfield, from our English Department, gave a talk entitled "It's the End of Civilization, and I Feel Fine: Comic Books in University Libraries." in the Oviatt's Presentation Room, followed by a reception in the Tseng Gallery. It was very

well attended. The Exhibition runs through August 3, 2007 and is sponsored by the Friends of the Oviatt Library.

b. The Oviatt Library is celebrating **Women in Music** with a lobby exhibit which opened March 12 and runs through June 1, 2007. The exhibit features women in the music profession, both past and present, and highlights their distinctive compositions and individual experiences. The unique exhibit displays will feature the artists' reflections on their music, along with photographs, manuscripts, album covers, music scores, correspondence, and reviews culled from the Oviatt Library Special Collections and Archives collections. Everyone is invited to view the lobby exhibit, which is available during the Oviatt Library's normal operating hours.

5. Research Fellowships – Sue

The Provost has asked Sue to canvas the campus faculty and put together a Research Fellows Program proposal. The form and substance of the program are in their nascent state and Sue is welcoming any input. She is currently attending various meetings to get a sense of what the faculty see the program being and accomplishing. She distributed a handout and asked Library Committee members for their input. She also requested that they send her additional ideas as they occur to them.