

Library Committee Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2004

Approved February 8, 2005

Present: Sr. Rita Basta (Chair), Dean Susan Curzon, Anthony Dawahare, Jay Christensen, Ali Tabidian, Kristina Zvinakis, Jeffrey Wiegley, Joni Surette, Elizabeth Sellers, Yifei Sun

Excused: Wendy Murawski, Carmiña Villamizar, Kathy Dabbour, Dino Vrongistinos, Carolyn Caselli

Guests: Peter Prager (Committee Secretary), Associate Dean Susan Parker

Chair Sister Rita Basta:

1. The committee's November 3, 2004 Minutes were approved as is.
2. It was agreed that the work of the Electronic Journals Subcommittee will be put off until a later date.

Committee Business:

1. Elizabeth Sellers distributed the current draft Philosophy of Scholarship student survey. Additional changes to the web survey were suggested. Committee members will ask their students to take the survey in February 2005, after the Spring Semester begins. The results will be evaluated first by Elizabeth Sellers, Jay Christensen and Anthony Dawahare, and then presented to the full Library Committee. The committee will then decide how best to use the results and who on campus should be notified of the committee's efforts.
2. The committee voted to ask Marilyn Filbeck to speak about the campus' Learning Centered University plan at an upcoming meeting.

Dean Curzon:

1. 150 people attended the opening of the "Treasures of the Oviatt Library" exhibit on November 10. On display are materials from the Oviatt's major collecting areas in Special Collections & Archives: the International Guitar Research Archive, Old China Hands Archive, Special Collections, and the Urban Archives Center. The exhibition is located in the Oviatt Library's C.K. & Teresa Tseng Gallery, 2nd floor, west wing. It will run from November 10, 2004 to March 31, 2005.
2. Dean Curzon distributed the latest Friends of the Library Newsletter. She also announced that the Friends have agreed to support a best seller collection based on the L.A. Times fiction and non-fiction best seller lists. The collection will most likely be housed in the Reference Room.

3. The UC Berkeley Library has instituted a "Library Prize for Undergraduate Research." It honors excellence in the use of library resources in developing undergraduate research projects. Is this something the committee would like to start on our campus? Discussion ensued. The committee asked Peter Prager to get additional information about the program. The idea will be taken up again at the next meeting.

4. Kristina Zvinakis asked Dean Curzon about the Library's community outreach efforts. Dean Curzon spoke about the Friends of the Library, our exhibits and presentations, our web pages, the San Fernando Valley History Digital Library, public access to our collections, and AP student borrowing privileges. She will ask Jacquie Solis, the Library's Outreach Librarian, to speak at an upcoming meeting.

The 2005 meetings will be February 8, March 2, April (TBA) and May 4.