

Library Committee Meeting Minutes

September 1, 2004

Approved October 13, 2004

Present: Sr. Rita Basta (Chair), Dean Susan Curzon, Rick Mitchell, Elizabeth Sellers, Jay Christensen, Yifei Sun, Kathy Dabbour, Carmiña Villamizar, Wendy Murawski, Ali Tabidian, Kristina Zvinakis, Dino Vrongistinos, Joni Surette, Carolyn Caselli

Excused: Jeffrey Wiegley

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

Chair Sister Rita Basta:

1. Sr. Rita welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.
2. The committee's 2003-2004 Annual Report was approved as is.
3. The committee's May 5, 2004 Minutes were approved as is.

Dean Curzon:

1. Under the auspices of the Library's Title V Hispanic Serving Institution Grant, the "Cultura y Comunidad: The Legacy of Latino Leadership in California" exhibit opens September 7 in the Oviatt's C.K. and Teresa Tseng Gallery. The exhibit's opening reception will be on September 14, from 6 to 8 p.m., also in the Tseng Gallery. A lecture and discussion of the exhibition will take place from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Library's Presentation Room on September 15. Everyone is invited to the events.
2. The Library's Banned Books Week exhibition, "Well I'll be Banned: A celebration of the Freedom to Read" is currently underway in the Library's lobby. On September 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the Library's Presentation Room, librarians and faculty will present selected readings from children's books that over the years have been banned or challenged. Everyone is invited.
3. The campus has given approval for the Library and Extended Learning to proceed with their efforts to offer a Masters of Library Science program: a Master of Information and Knowledge Management, a Master of Information and Library Management, and a Library Media Teacher Services Credential. The proposal now goes to the Chancellor's Office for approval. A Fall 2005 startup is hoped for.

Committee Business:

1. Sister Rita led a discussion about what topics the committee should focus on this year. The following were agreed to:

- Conduct a survey on students' attitudes towards, and understanding of, the "Scholarship of Learning". Based on this info, define how best to promote the "Scholarship of Learning" on campus. (Led by Elizabeth Sellers, Rick Mitchell, and Jay Christensen. Yifei Sun will help create a web page for the survey.)
- Is there a better way to publish scholarly articles and journals so that they are available to a wider audience at a more affordable price? (Led by Jeff Wiegley, Joni Surette, and Carolyn Caselli.)
- Discussion of the President's Learning Centered University initiative and the role of the Library and Library Committee. The discussion should also include Gateway Courses and CELT. (Led by Sr. Rita, Dean Curzon, and Wendy Murawski.)
- A presentation and discussion of the Library's Information Literacy Assessment Survey and its implications. (Led by Kathy Dabbour.)
- Committee members should be "Library" liaisons to their College's faculty. Peter Prager will distribute information that can be passed onto colleagues. Please bring any Library related questions, ideas or concerns that you hear of to the committee's attention.
- Tours of the Library are available upon request.

Library Video:

Librarian Mara Houdyshell and Arts, Reserve & Media Supervisor Dean Arnold showed the committee a video they recently produced about the Library. It is entitled "The Oviatt Library: Planting Seeds". They will be showing it to others on campus as an introduction to Library services.