

Library Committee Meeting Minutes from Oct. 22, 2015

Members/substitutes* present: Doug Bates, Brad Bull (for Joe Roberts, Interdisciplinary Studies), Lisa Bowman (for Cynthia Bryant, Counseling Center), Julie Stepp (for Elizabeth Boucher, College of Education), Nancy Kolodziej, Mark Groundland, Brian Huguenard (for Deborah Ballou, College of Business), Judy Hull, Chris Brown, Tammy Howard, Lora Cowan, Stacy Tomas.

After achieving quorum, meeting was called to order at approximately 11:05 a.m. by chair Mark Groundland.

Minutes from April 14, 2015 that had been emailed were approved. Chair asked for someone to keep today's minutes; Brad Bull graciously volunteered.

The only item on the agenda was to hear a report from the dean of the library, Doug Bates.

Dean's Report:

- Traffic in the library going up even though enrollment down. The previous week saw record-breaking weekly of 30,000 visitors; this even though University enrollment is down 500.
- Third floor I-Cube: space created over first half of 2015. It includes virtual reality components and other features.
- Get It Now: a method of getting articles on demand. Budget crunch of \$100K low. Group was formed to develop plan to cancel journals not being used; this saved \$400K. Takes about 1 hour to get articles through Get It Now.
- Renovation of "Dirt room" on first floor of library
 - Engineer examined space and said excavation on each end could recover 6000 square feet at cost of \$150/sf (\$900k total), which is cheaper than new construction. Have about \$980K in account plus some funds in Friends of Library account.
 - Following proposal has been submitted to provost who forwarded to Facilities.
 - Left side=tutoring/supplemental instruction
 - Right side=archive (currently seeking archivist and want to enhance visibility of archives
 - Questions:
 - Timeline? Answer: Has been submitted to Facilities.
 - Would construction impact library usage? Answer: Not sure how much.
- The committee then toured the I-Cube facility where staffed introduced us to the 3D drafting area, the virtual reality area, and the 3D printing lab.

Submitted by Brad Bull, 10/22/2015

Approved 2/18/16