

LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Weinberg Memorial Library
Wednesday, May 9, 2018

The meeting came to order at 11:40 a.m. by Dr. Marian Farrell.

Present: Prof. George Auliso, Prof. Kelly Banyas, Dr. Lori Bruch, Dr. Marzia Caporale, Dr. Carol Cote, Dr. Marian Farrell, Mrs. Sharon Finnerty, Dr. Terri Freeman-Smith, Dr. Teresa Grettano, Mr. Eugeniu Grigorescu, Prof. Michael Knies, Dean Charles Kratz, Dr. Andrew LaZella, Associate Dean Jean Lenville, Dr. Bob McCloskey, Dr. William Miller, Dr. Masood Otarod, Dr. Christos Pargianas, Dr. Kim Pavlick, Dr. David Salerno, Prof. Narda Tafuri, Dr. Ben Willis, Prof. Donna Witek, Prof. Kristen Yarmey and Dr. John Zych.

Unable to attend: Dr. Jessica Bachman, Dr. Dona Bauman, Dr. Yaodong Bi, Dr. Tracey Collins, Prof. Frank Conserette, Dr. Darryl DeMarzio, Dr. Josephine Dunn, Dr. Kathy Dwyer, Dr. Michael Fennie, Dr. Rita Fleming-Castaldy, Dr. David Friedrichs, Dr. Michael Hardisky, Dr. Jakub Jasinski, Dr. Barry Kuhle, Dr. Michael Landram, Dr. Nathan Lefler, Dr. Yibai Li, Dr. Wendy Manetti, Prof. Linda Mlodzienski, Dr. William Parente, Dr. Adam Pratt, Prof. Sheli Pratt-McHugh, Dr. Sufian Qrunfleh, Dr. Robert Shaffern, Dr. Yamile Silva, Dr. Robert Smith and Dr. Argyrios Varonides.

Dr. Willis motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Dr. Grettano. The minutes were accepted as written.

DEANS REPORT – Dean Charles E. Kratz

Dean Kratz began by congratulating Dr. Pratt & Prof. Pratt-McHugh on their new baby girl.

Staffing Changes – He continued by thanking Prof. Yarmey, who is leaving in July, for her contributions to the Library.

Prof. Norris is also leaving, after 41 years of service. He has served as newsletter editor for 25 years. With his departure, the Library faculty have rethought his position. Prof. Kelly Banyas is moving into Prof. Norris's vacant position. The search for Prof. Banyas's Health Sciences vacated position begins in August, 2018. The hire won't start until January 1, 2019. Prof. Donna Witek is chairing.

With Prof. Yarmey's departure, Dean Kratz is pleased to announce that Colleen Farry is the new Digital Services Librarian. The search for her vacated Special Collections Asst. Position will begin this summer. Prof. Farry will begin her new position on July 16th. She has two master's degrees, and will be finishing her library sciences degree this week.

Other Items

Dean Kratz reported that we requested a 5% for increase in library acquisitions in the journal budget for the 18-19 fiscal year, which was approved. That announcement will come out in your budget letters.

He also reported that the ongoing HVAC project may affect the stack areas on the 5th floor, but at this time we're not sure of the specifics. The entire floor will be under construction over the summer.

He continued by saying the summer binding goes out in June and comes back in July.

He announced that the Scholarship Exhibit is currently on display in the Heritage Room through the end of May, 2018. The alumni publications exhibit goes up after that.

The Bonnie W. Oldham Endowment Fund – Dean Kratz passed around a flyer with texting information to donate into her account. We raised about \$1600 for the endowment through 5.06 campaign. Our goal has been to endow to \$50,000 so the endowment will start generating money. Any help is appreciated.

The library faculty are going to host a fundraiser at Cooper's probably in November. Mr. Warren Oldham, Bonnie's husband, is touched that the University is raising money for the endowment.

The Friends Book Sale made \$5000 in net proceeds at this year's sale and the friends are donating that amount to Bonnie's Endowment as well.

Information Literacy Stipends – Prof. Witek reported that the Information Literacy Stipends Subcommittee met. She thanked those who served on the subcommittee. They funded two projects – Dr. Adam Pratt's and Dr. Debra Fetherman's.

Library Research Prize – Prof. Witek continued by reporting there were a record number of submissions this year: ten in graduate, eighteen in undergraduate 200-400 category, and nine in the first year category, which was new this year. She thanked everyone who served on the judging panels. The winners were: Emily Dineen (graduate), Maura C. Burns (undergraduate upper level), and Nicole Cavanaugh (undergraduate lower level). The reception is May 10, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room. She encouraged everyone to attend.

Citation Management Platform – Prof. Banyas reported that Easybid.edu is retiring on August 31, and we have explored options for a replacement. We are moving to Zotero, and also possibly a free citation generator. Prof. Banyas explained that Zotero is an online citation management platform as well as a desktop download. Users can create bibliographies and citations. There is an extension for Microsoft Word. The extension for Chrome allows for one click saving. Zotero can also create PDF's. And there is group functionality. You can visit Zotero.org for more information. Prof. Witek and Prof. Tafuri can help if you already have accounts.

Wiley Backfile – Prof. Tafuri reported that as part of the purchase and discussion from the last meeting, she had asked for consideration in removing volumes. A few faculty members did contact her to ask for print copies and they were sent to their departments. We are about to start moving out items, so if anyone else wants materials after this meeting, please let her know as soon as possible.

As part of the deal with PALCI, we were able to purchase Wiley Frontfile, their online database. This saves significant costs. Under this deal, for the next two year, we will only pay inflation rated at 2% instead of 6%. In addition, we now have over 1600 titles for the next two years.

Prof. Tafuri demonstrated where to find these databases on our webpages.

We were also able to get a good price on the upgrade for Atlas on Human Anatomy, which will be up on May 21st.

Information Literacy – Dean Kratz and Prof. Witek spoke about information literacy. Prof. Witek took over as information literacy coordinator last summer. Last fall we saw a record high in the number of information literacy classes that our librarians instructed. Dean Kratz asked that departments have patience since we'll be down one position.

Prof. Witek reported that the program will need to temporarily scale back with regard to what the four librarians can do. She shared the framework for Fall, 2018. The two primary ways for the semester are to 1) focus on the 100 level courses. The librarians will only be able to come in once for each sections. And 2) delivery modes. She asks if there are opportunities to reach students in ways other than classroom instruction.

The librarians are introducing an online request form for faculty to request Information Literacy Instruction starting Fall, 2018. Prof. Witek demonstrated the landing page and explained that information literacy instruction is tailored to a specific assignment and that it is outcomes based. She touched on the types of information collected through the form. She then walked everyone through the form. Please share this information with your departments. She will also email everyone who have requested for fall in the past and then the 1st week of August. www.scranton.edu/library/instruction will take you to the Requesting Information Literacy Instruction landing page.

Dean Kratz added that even though it's being implemented immediately, it is a pilot so please send suggestions for any changes, etc.

Zaner Bloser Exhibit – Prof. Knies reported on the upcoming exhibit - the Work & Career of Charles Paxton Zaner, founder of Zaner Bloser. It is the 100th anniversary of his death. The exhibit will go up in the Fall, 2018. Prof. Knies showed demonstrations of Zaner's work. He is originally from Bloomsburg. Prof. Knies also added that P.W. Costello worked with Zaner.

We have the original pen work for decorative works and alphabets and in a few cases, we have the original art, books as published, and the printing blocks.

Dr. Farrell passed around the signup sheet for 2018-2019 Library Advisory Committee.

She then thanked the Committee for their service this year. The meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

- Respectfully submitted by Kym Balthazar Fetsko