



LIBRARY COMMITTEE - USF St. Petersburg

Notes from Meeting

March 1, 2010

POY Conference Room

Attending: Dean Carol Hixson; Chris Meindl, Chair; John Gum; Juanita Fountain; Marti Enright; and Sudsy Tschiderer.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:20 p.m.

Old Business

Minutes of Meeting – n/a.

Report from the Chair

C. Meindl has spoken to – and will speak again with – the Faculty Senate to discussion clarification of this Committee's standing. We wish to follow the directives given to other committees under the Senate and follow similar protocols, especially regarding *ex officio* status and voting rights of Committee members. The existence of the Library Committee acknowledges the status and reinforces the importance of the Library as a major component of the university. It also provides a vehicle by which pertinent issues can be brought forward to the Senate Chair. C. Meindl will advise the Faculty Senate Chair that we will defer to the Senate for protocol regarding the composition of its standing committee. Perhaps the Senate's Committee on Committees will advise us – and other standing committees? In any case, the Library Committee will defer changes to our organizational and charge documents until we hear back from the Faculty Senate.

(The Library Committee spent a good deal of time examining this matter during the meeting. Dean Hixson recused herself during much of this discussion)

Report from Dean

Dean Hixson provided information about the Library's Assistive Technologies Project 2010. The Society for the Advancement of Poynter Library (SAPL) will purchase additional equipment and upgrade currently technology for students with disabilities. The Office of Disability Services is also assisting in this project.

Dean Hixson will provide Melanie Marquez, media services, with information about this project for a story in *eNews*, etc.

Open Discussion

C. Meindl thanked the Library faculty and staff for its good service, especially on weekends when the Computer Center is closed. The College of Business also lost its computer lab when the COB moved from Bayboro Station. The lack of sufficient academic computer support available on campus in the evenings and on weekends merit discuss across campus.

Good and Welfare

Committee membership at present:

- Chris Meindl (CAS) through 2010 - Chair
- John Gum (COB) through 2012
- Juanita Fountain (COE) through 2011
- Sudsy Tschiderer (A&P Council)
- Marti Enright (STAFF Senate)
- *Ex officio*: Dean Carol Hixson

Term of service: August to May.

Meetings: Plan to hold meetings twice a semester (Fall and Spring). Chair may convene additional meetings, as needed.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled by the Chair in the Fall.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned around 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sudsy Tschiderer