

Minutes from Library Taskforce Committee Meeting 2/3/16 12pm 342 Dunbar

Attendance:

Steve Berberich (Associate Provost) (co-chair)
Crystal B. Lake (College of Liberal Arts) (co-chair)
Scott Baird (College of Science and Mathematics)
Craig Woolley (CATS)
Chris Roberts (CTL)
Zdravka Todorova (Raj Soin College of Business)
Cristina Redko (Boonshoft School of Medicine)
Maura Boesch (College of Nursing & Health)
Rosemary Eustace (College of Nursing & Health)
Dave Hochstein (Lake Campus)
Jamon Flowers (Lake Campus)
Sheila Shellabarger (WSU Libraries)
Stephanie Bange (ERC)
Karen Wilhoit (WSU Libraries)
Sue Polanka (WSU Libraries)

Members not in attendance:

John Conteh (College of Education & Human Services)
Bin Wang (College of Engineering & Computer Science)
Giovanna Follo (Lake Campus)
Karla Huebner (College of Liberal Arts)
Catherine Marco (Boonshoft School of Medicine)
Roxanne DuVivier (College of Education & Human Services)
Steven Kniffley (School of Professional Psychology)

Overview:

Staff from WSU Libraries presented an executive summary of the report they prepared in response to our request for data.

The Library identified its areas of excellence as its staff, services, collections, and technology.

The Library identified its greatest areas of need as facilities, budget, and staff.

Dunbar requires cosmetic updates, safety updates (elevators), and currently has insufficient space for student seating and study needs and new initiatives. The Library's materials budget has been flat or declining since 2010. The Library is unable to keep pace with the rates of inflation in materials costs (including, especially, e-journals, print books, and OhioLINK). A survey conducted by Library staff revealed that students want the hours of the library to be extended on Fridays and weekends; more staff will be needed if the library is to extend its hours and the Library has an aging workforce that means more retirements are anticipated. The Library has also had an interim director for two years and would like that position to be permanently filled.

The staff from the library provided an overview of other information available in the report, including: information on our collections, services for students and faculty, and CORE Scholar. The floor was opened for questions.

Questions asked and addressed:

- the data Lake campus library might assemble for the taskforce
- the safety of Dunbar's elevators
- basic urgent needs compromising ability to keep up with new technologies
- efficiency
- students not surveyed on their specific use of the library (as study space that is non-resource/materials reliant vs. as study space that relies on library's resources/materials)
- seating capabilities of peer institutions as compared to our 8.6% capacity and the standard recommendations (this information will need to be supplied)
- projections for future cancellations/reductions in materials (this information will need to be supplied)
- methods for determining cancellations/reductions (this information will need to be supplied)
- anticipated changes in OhioLINK costs/formulas (this information will need to be supplied)

Action Items:

- Lake Campus needs to decide what data they want and can gather for consideration
- Any additional questions related to the Library's report need to be sent via email to Crystal and/or Steve by Friday, February 12th. They will assemble and make available on Pilot for review.
- Feedback/comments/suggestions for the draft survey need to be sent via email to Crystal and/or Steve by Friday February 12th.
- The Faculty Survey will be distributed the week of February 15th; due by February 29th.
- A final meeting, to complete Phase 1, will be scheduled in early March