

**LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Weinberg Memorial Library**  
**Monday, September 25, 2017**

The meeting came to order at 11:37 a.m. By Marian Farrell

Present: Prof. George Aulisio, Dr. Jessica Bachman, Prof. Kelly Banyas, Dr. Lori Bruch, Dr. Marzia Caporale, Dr. Tracey Collins, Prof. Frank Conserette, Dr. Carol Cote, Dr. Kathy Dwyer, Dr. Marian Farrell, Dr. Michael Fennie, Dr. Terri Freeman-Smith, Dr. David Friedrichs, Dr. Teresa Grettano, Mr. Eugeniu Grigorescu, Prof. Michael Knies, Dean Charles Kratz, Dr. Andrew LaZella, Interim Associate Dean Jean Lenville, Dr. Yibai Li, Dr. Wendy Manetti, Dr. Bob McClosky, Prof. Sheli McHugh, Dr. Kim Pavlick, Dr. Adam Pratt, Dr. Yamile Silva, Prof. Narda Tafuri, Dr. Ben Willis, Prof. Donna Witek, Prof. Kristen Yarmey, and Dr. John Zych.

Unable to attend: Dr. Dona Bauman, Dr. Yaodong Bi, Dr. Darryl DeMarzio, Dr. Josephine Dunn, Mr. Richard Endico, Mrs. Sharon Finnerty, Dr. Rita Fleming-Castaldy, Dr. Michael Hardisky, Dr. Jakub Jasinski, Dr. Barry Kuhle, Mr. Christopher Kustera, Dr. Michael Landram, Dr. Nathan Lefler, Dr. William Miller, Dr. Masood Otarod, Dr. William Parente, Dr. Christos Pargianas, Dr. Sufian Qrunfleh, Dr. David Salerno, Dr. Robert Shaffern, Dr. Robert Smith, and Dr. Argyrios Varonides.

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

**REFLECTION: BONNIE OLDHAM**

Dr. Farrell spoke on Prof. Bonnie Oldham's passion of research and her goal to share that passion with students. Dr. Farrell announced that the Library Research Pr/P n of

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Dr. Farrell welcomed them. She then also mentioned Prof. Knies's television appearance in reference to Joseph McDade's passing earlier in the week.

### **DEANS REPORT**

Dean Kratz reported that the Weinberg Library made the cover of the latest issue of Choice reviews Magazine. Colleen Farry in Archives took the photograph.

He also mentioned the Associate Deans Search is continuing this semester for the third time with a competitive field. The committee consists of Dr. Bruch, Prof. McHugh, Prof. Witek, Dr. Rajan, Mr. Grigorescu, and Mr. Endico. It is chaired by Dean Conniff.

Prof. McHugh added that the position's been posted and they will begin reviewing applicants on October 16, followed by phone interviews and then in person interviews. Invitations will be extended to the Library Advisory Committee to attend the candidate forums.

### **BUDGET**

Dean Kratz reported that last year we did a pilot program where \$700,000 was put into a separate budget fund for journal and electronic resource inflation. This fiscal year we received a 6% inflation amount. The only caveat is that if enrollment is down, the 6% may need to be reduced. We also received an additional 3%, which we dedicated to the book account. Prof. Tafuri and Dean Kratz will also work on projections for next year.

### **PREDATORY JOURNALS**

Dean Kratz continued, saying there was a brown bag lunch on predatory journals. There was a resolution that came out of KSOM related to this. There is no black and white list that librarians or scholars can create, which is a challenge. Dr. Friedrichs spoke on the parameters and how coming up with a framework would be difficult because the environment is rapidly changing. Prof. Yarmey added if anyone is interested in serving on a Faculty Handbook subcommittee regarding this in the future to let her know.

### **OTHER ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BUILDING RENOVATIONS**

Dean Kratz announced there were no major building renovations other than some recarpeting this past summer. We will recarpet the 5th floor next summer.

#### **RESEARCH & SCHOLARLY SERVICES DEPARTMENT – PROF. AULISIO**

Prof. Aulisio reported that the Reference Dept. is rebranded to the Research & Scholarly Services Department. He explained that Research Services is more straightforward and will resonate with students more. He also reported that the two new librarians have different shifts than in the past, both

working Monday through Friday, 1 to 9 pm. On Sundays, the Part-time librarian is on until 8. Any student coming to the desk after 8 pm will use Ask A librarian virtual and text messaging service. Monday through Thursday the building has the same coverage as always. On Fridays, there is coverage until 9, and on Saturdays the coverage is the same. The Library Faculty are reorganizing the Liaison areas for equity.

In the future, Prof. Aulisio would like to put in a room for one-on-one consultation with students and librarians.

Dean Kratz added students are asking for more seating pods again.

#### INFORMATION LITERACY STIPENDS – PROF. WITEK

Prof. Witek reported that everyone should have received the Information Literacy Stipends Call for Proposals. They are \$1000 stipends and we can award up to two each semester. The proposal deadline is 11/3. Prof. Witek asked for an Information Literacy Subcommittee and sent around a sign-up sheet. At least one faculty member per college is needed. Winners are notified in early December.

Prof. Witek then spoke about the Bonnie Oldham Research Prize. She demonstrated on our website where information is located and announced a third prize, called the 100 level prize, was added this year. There is also a 200-400 level prize and a grad student prize. Everything else will operate exactly the same. Submissions can be individual or group projects. She will ask for volunteers to serve on this committee in the spring. The deadline for summer and fall projects is Monday, December 4th.

The deadline for the fall is the last day of class. There is another deadline in the spring for second semester projects.

#### ACRL FRAMEWORK FOR LITERACY – PROF. WITEK

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