



Minutes of the University Libraries Assembly
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Wednesday, June 21, 2023, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM,
Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

Call to Order: 2:02 p.m.

Present: Berge, Bustos, Davies, Davis, Dority, Harris, Johnson, Reese, Tharrington, Weeks

Absent: Gaines, Kubicki, Luster, Warren

1. Approval of Minutes (Reese)

- a. The March Assembly minutes were approved.
- b. First: Weeks; Second: Harris

2. OLD Business: None

3. NEW Business

a. Greenblatt Library Director Update (KDavies)

i. Resources Spent for Greenblatt

1. \$113,000 journals bought, \$10,000 of Reference Books, Ackland's Anatomy Video Database, some backfiles for Ovid
2. MJohnson and KDavies will work on blog post with added titles
3. Every college got some requested resources

ii. Money left in OASIS account from Young Fund to purchase e-books

iii. Renovation is mostly done

1. Reminding them of fixing doors, HCA cabinets, getting people count system working

iv. Health Sciences Library Lecture August 23rd 4:30 to 5:30 by Dr. Leslie Pollard on Segregated Doctoring in Augusta

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- v. KDavies appointed to PACT Working Group Committee. Send all comments to KDavies
- b. Reese Library Director Update (MJohnson)
 - i. 3rd Floor Shifting
 - 1. Finished two weeks ahead of schedule
 - 2. Now can work on moving last row of shelving for the new furniture
 - ii. Special Collections Librarian
 - 1. Courtney Berge has been selected
 - iii. Information Services Librarian
 - 1. Will be posted by the start of the new fiscal year
 - iv. Donation
 - 1. 1,500 WWII books donated to the library evaluated by TWeeks and MJohnson
 - v. BWarren has created Strategic Planning Committee
 - 1. Review and revise the goals; the meeting will be in July
- c. Dean of Libraries Update (BWarren)
 - i. Will receive update at next Libraries' Faculty Unassembly
- d. Changes to Library Faculty Assembly Bylaws (TWeeks)
 - i. TWeeks shared the bylaws virtually. Electronic vote will be sent out by STharrington.
 - ii. JGaines, TWeeks, STharrington worked on changing the bylaws
 - iii. Change language to "Dean of Libraries" and "Vice Provost for Instructions" and others to reflect title changes
 - iv. Dean of Libraries rights and privileges changed to be non-voting member
 - v. New members of the Assembly is now changed to start in July 1st to reflect the university faculty assembly
 - vi. Biggest change in bylaws chair of the faculty assembly serve as senator or nominate a proxy. In the past we had one or two senators we elected. It should be our chair serves as senator and one additional senator totaling two. Chair can nominate a proxy.
 - vii. The language of the secretary setting up voting was changed.

- viii. The Promotion Review Committee is the new name for the Promotion Portfolio Review Committee as there were changes to the promotion guidelines. Will review library promotion guidelines as needed.
 - ix. Professional Development Committee called Professional Development in Research with a goal to assist faculty. Folded the job duties into one committee.
 - x. If the chair is unable to act as senator they are allowed to select a proxy for one year.
 - xi. This is currently a review and not for a vote.
 - xii. JDavis brought up individuals on the director's leadership since they are more than 50%. This rule exists at the university senate level. This is just a suggestion for consistency. TWeeks notes that a lot of faculties will be at administration level soon. NReese feels that they should mirror it to the university ruling. Those of that level would not serve as chairs of those committees, reducing the risk of bias of bias.
 - xiii. MJohnson states that they cannot serve on the senate or the committee since they are not voting members, therefore it is fine to them not having a vote.
 - xiv. Agreed to have all decisions agreed upon at once to prevent the delay of voting and pushing back the date.
 - xv. Many of the issues for committees will determine on the percentage of administration for each individual. Will be reached out to JGaines to determine her specific percentage
 - xvi. Draft will be sent out by TWeeks and then voted on by survey sent from STharrington
- e. University Senate Update (JDavis)
- i. New chair is Dr. Tiana Curry-McCoy currently serving as interim chair until next full faculty assembly meeting, where she is official voted in
 - ii. Unknown initiative for the new year, have to wait and see for the handout.
 - iii. Strategic goals will be sent out soon but no big changes currently
- f. University Committee Updates
- i. Curriculum and Academic Policies (TWeeks):
 - 1. No Report
 - ii. Student Affairs (TWeeks)
 - 1. No Report

- iii. Athletics (RBustos)
 - 1. No Report
- iv. BAUR (RBustos)
 - 1. No Report
- v. Faculty Development Committee (STharrington)
 - 1. No Report
- vi. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities (JKubicki)
 - 1. No Report
- vii. Governance and Communication (EHarris):
 - 1. No Report
- viii. Information Technology (RBustos)
 - 1. No Report
- ix. University Promotion and Tenure (JGaines):
 - 1. No Report
- x. Faculty Grievance (NReese)
 - 1. No Report
- g. Other University Information Related to Faculty
 - i. Representation for New Year
 - 1. ALuster will serve as student affairs in TWeeks role
 - 2. EHarris is on Governance and Communication
 - 3. JDavis will send it to everyone
 - ii. Community Engagement
 - 1. Carnegie Community Engagement is one of the libraries' goals
 - 2. Highlight how we engage with community within the University
 - 3. Create a collection within the institutional repository to catalog any research or project within the University that include community engagement.
 - 4. Includes publications, peer review articles, and ECTDs (electronic dissertations and theses) that engage the community. Needs to be some shared engagement between university and the community. It will take several years to complete.
- h. Unassembly will occur next Thursday within HCA at Greenblatt (Jason's Deli)

4. Announcements

The next Libraries Assembly meeting is scheduled for TO BE ANNOUNCED by TWeeks

Adjournment