

Minutes of Librarians' Meeting 28 February 2014

Present: Don Brown (DB), Alice Cornelio (AC), Seth Daugherty (SD), Alice Grigsby (AG), Moon Ichinaga (MI), Mary McMillan (MM)), Noreth Men (NM), Claudia Striepe (CS)

AGENDA

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and will be sent to the Unit.

SAOs

LRU Survey Update: NM and the Book/Public Services team had met and updated the satisfaction survey. However, Irene Graff of Institutional Research had recommended a longer interval between satisfaction surveys. So as not to waste the work already done, we will run a smaller Awareness survey this semester. IR has agreed to run the abbreviated survey for us on our return from Spring Break.

RESOURCES

Media Collection Discussion: AC met with Howard Story (HS) to discuss the issue of the role of librarians in the selection of materials for the video collection. Librarians may make suggestions for purchase, but keep in mind the limited budget.

AC will bring a recommendation back to this body on whether to make the video collection available to students for check-out.

White Board Concept: SD noted an idea that had been used successfully at Santa Ana College. A white Board is in a high-traffic area like Circulation, and every week or so a new topic is put up on the board for student response. Students respond by writing on the board. This fosters student involvement and interest in the library, and could gather useful data. AG thought it worth a try if we could find a good space for the boards. MM said she would get input from Circulation area staff at their next meeting as things housed in that area tend to then become the responsibility of the Circ staff and take them away from other duties.

CS noted this is similar to an idea used by Cerritos College who have small cards at service desks with one question that students can quickly answer and drop in a jar at the desk. These are quickly tallied and questions change every 2 weeks or so. Both ideas are worth pursuing.

New Periodical Title Requests: MM distributed a handout re: requests for new periodicals. Most requests came from the HVAC area. While there are funds to support the requests, NM as liaison for that area, will follow up with the instructor to rank the requests.

SD suggested "The Week". MM will check whether this title is indexed anywhere. It was noted that this would be a good title for current/ controversial issue assignments to get background on differing viewpoints and get ideas for topics.

Springshare's LibCal Room Reservation Software demo: MM looked at various products with the goal of finding something user friendly for students and staff, and found one that repeatedly came up, and had consistently positive reports, was LibCal. MM has scheduled a webinar for next Thursday at 9am. MM gave a quick demo of the front end of the system.

DB will work with MM and attend the webinar to see if the system can be made to work with the Music Library Practice Room specifications. The price is based on number of rooms involved

Millennium Discovery demo: NM reported that we have had Millennium for 10 years now. They have in this time developed new products like Sierra, which is web-based. We must begin to plan ahead as the old Millennium will not be supported for much longer. AG asked NM to get pricing and other details on

Sierra from the vendors. NM demonstrated 2 sites and has a representative coming to ECC next Wed at 2pm to give us a demo of the Sierra system.

DATABASES

Update on Current Databases: MI reported an issue with TERC and the cosmetology students and registration - a workaround has been figured out and students should now be successful.

The SCIENCE database has so much added content that it is proving difficult to isolate the content we have access to. It is cheap, but we may wish to add another science database that is easier for students to use. Ebsco and Gale have some options.

Exploring New Database Possibilities: The CCC listserv reports that "Taking Sides" may cease being a series, and be published as a textbook. Give suggestions re: alternatives, whether book series or databases to MI. Ebsco has a "Point of View" site.

Please respond to MI's email with your thoughts on "Current Biography database. Cost of online version is \$1,263.

AG asked MI to get a proposal on Boopsie so that we can get some solid facts and figures on the product to share with IT. RBPL has Boopsie now.

ARTstor demo: DB and MI will attend an Art department meeting to scheduler an ARTstor webinar for interested faculty.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Curriculum Committee: AC has served on the Committee for 2 years now, with 2 years left in her term, and gave a report detailing the role of the librarian within the committee.

3CSN Workshop: CS reported on her visit to the Cerritos campus for the workshop "Beyond the Classroom: Strengthening Ties between Classroom Teaching and Academic Support Services. It was noted that more effort should go into increasing relationships between the LRU and Faculty to increase faculty information literacy and market our services. CS also visited the campus library and shared some handouts and ideas. CS noted that the CEC was well represented.

CEC LRU Opening: AG reported that the CEC LRU was slated to open on April 15th. They will move over the Spring break. Chelvi Subramaniam is the new Dean of Student Success responsible for the LRU on that campus.

STAFFING

NAPCA Volunteers: MM attended a meeting for organizations that use volunteers from the National Pacific American Centre for Aging. The volunteers are paid by the NAPCA, thus they fill in time-sheets, and they are meant to get some job training. Please send ideas for projects to MM, who can also use these ideas for her student workers.

PROGRAM PROGRESS/PLANNING

Women's History Month: Progressing satisfactorily.

READ Poster (National Library Week April 13-19): MM announced that the 2014 honorees are Professors Welsh (Humanities) and Berney (Dance/Fine Arts). The unveiling is scheduled for the 18th April (Thursday).

INFORMATION

Draft Resolution for ECC Senate re: feedback to the ACCJC regarding the revised Standards (as relating to Librarian input): CS had emailed all with background to the issue, including the resolution passed by the Academic Senate of California Community Colleges in November 2013. Also included in the email was a draft resolution to take to the ECC senate for consideration which would indicate our campus support of the CCC resolution. We have also been asked to include a sentence on the issue in our Accreditation reports.

Revised "Brief Guide to Citing Sources in the APA Style": MI reported that the new guide is ready and NM will be posting it online. Please discard any old copies, if seen, and advertise the new guide.

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