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LIBRARY SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 31, 2007

2:15 - 3:30 pm

Video conference rooms: Ross Conf / Blewett 239

Present: Geoff Ganter, Jennifer Wieselquist, Pat Morgan, Jim Norton, Bonnie Davis, Tom Leach, Steve Zeeman, Andrew Golub, Stew MacLehose, Sharon Eckert, Barbara Swartzlander.

Members interested, but not present due to schedule conflicts: Beth Moyer, Karen Pardue.

* UNE LIBRARIES INFORMATION

<http://www.une.edu/library/services/libinfo.asp>

The information on this page is kept current to reflect services and resources, and is useful for faculty or administrators when completing accreditation reports or grant applications. A current UNE ID card serves also as faculty, student or staff UNE Libraries card for access to all of these services and resources. For help finding information contact any of the four Reference Librarians: Cadence Atchinson, Bobby Gray, John Hutchinson or Barbara Swartzlander.

* WEB PAGE REDESIGN

<http://www.une.edu/library/>

The UNE Libraries' web page is now arranged by subject/majors rather than material type. Most feedback has been positive and many faculty and students indicate that it's easier for them to navigate. One suggestion was to highlight the databases that are most specific to the disciplines.

* BUDGET

Computers are on a 5-year replacement cycle and the money for those is a capital expense from the IT budget. Budget is adequate and we receive an annual amount to cover the costs of materials and subscription increases. Most of the materials budget is spent on journals, ejournals and databases.

* FULL-TEXT JOURNALS

<http://www.une.edu/library/eresources/ejournal.asp>

Over 27,000 print and electronic full text journal titles are accessible from on or off-campus via the UNE Libraries website. Many databases offer automatic "alerts" via email; for information contact Stew or any of the four Reference Librarians. We are exploring the possibility of adding Ingenta next calendar year. Send journal subscription requests to Barbara Swartzlander.

* DATABASES BY TITLE

<http://www.une.edu/library/database/dbdescrs.asp#A>

Members present indicated that they really like and frequently use Scopus. This list includes brief descriptions for all our databases. We have had requests for Spanish and French language databases such as Rosetta Stone, Multilingual Center or other listings on www.babelfish.com.

* DATABASES BY MAJOR

<http://www.une.edu/library/database/dbmaj.asp>

* eBOOKS

<http://lilac.une.edu/>

Over 6,000 electronic books are accessible via the Libraries' catalog. Vendors include: netLibrary, Stat!Ref, Books@Ovid, MDConsult, and R2 Library.

* DVDs

Titles that support the curriculum are purchased for the collection. "Blockbusters" are available through the Campus Center.

* PREVIEW TEST ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

<http://0-www.une.edu.lilac.une.edu/library/passwords/testdb.asp>

Vendors often are willing to let the Libraries test their products at no cost for a short period of time. This web page is available all year long with different resources available for preview. If there are databases or resources that faculty, students or staff would like to test drive for potential subscription, request a trial from Barbara or Stew.

* LIBRARY USER INSTRUCTION

The Reference Librarians continue to conduct sessions tailored to help students with their research projects. Once again this Fall, all of the Bio 100 Lab students and Bio 104 Lab students ("Critter on a card" assignment) came into the UC Library for instruction. On the WCC, classes were arranged and taught for such majors as Nursing, NA, PA, and DH. It might be helpful for COM students if there were a place in their curriculum for an introduction to relevant medical resources.

* INFORMATION LITERACY: STANDARDS AND OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS

<http://www.une.edu/library/resguide/inflit.asp>

As defined by the Association of College and Research Libraries, "Information Literacy " is the ability to recognize when information is needed and to locate, evaluate and use effectively the needed information (Information Literacy Competency Standards for Higher Education. ACRL: Chicago, 2000).

NEASC

The UNE Libraries are pleased to report that they fared well in the NEASC Report!

* ASSESSMENT

The Libraries continue to assess three major areas:

- 1) Acquisitions: by comparing what patrons request via ILL or MaineCat, we can identify gaps in the collection that need bolstering;
- 2) Journals, ejournals and Databases: by calculating cost-per-use statistics, we can identify print journals, ejournals and databases for either continued subscription or deaccession;
- 3) Student Learning Outcomes: as a follow-up to Library User Instruction, we check with faculty to see how many students successfully completed their assignments.

* LibQUAL SURVEY

<http://www.libqual.org/About/Information/index.cfm>

LibQUAL+(TM) is a suite of services that libraries use to solicit, track, understand, and act upon users' opinions of service quality. These services are offered to the library community by the Association of Research Libraries (ARL). The program's centerpiece is a rigorously tested Web-based survey bundled with training that helps libraries assess and improve library services, change organizational culture, and market the library. The UNE Libraries have purchased the rights to conduct a survey of students, faculty and staff, or anyone with a current UNE ID card. Target date for this electronic survey is February 2008 and your participation will be appreciated!

* STRATEGIC PLAN

We are in the early stages of strategic planning in conjunction with the entire University Strategic Planning process. Our planning team members are: Andrew Golub, Chair, Stew MacLehose, Sharon Eckert and Barbara Swartzlander.

* EDUTECH

The EduTech Report came out in June and reflected Andrew Golub's recommendation that the Libraries and IT/Media/Telecommunications be decoupled. This has taken place, so Andrew is now the Dean of Library Services and a new CIO will be hired for IT.

* MARKETING

In an effort to market the Libraries and to welcome new and returning students, Open Houses were held in early September at both campus libraries. Approximately 250 students participated in activities that included: self-guided tours, "Library Survival 101" mini-instruction, raffles, food, candy, vendor give-away items, and decorations. Thank you to the UNE UC Bookstore for their generous raffle contributions!

* GEORGE AND BARBARA BUSH CENTER

Ground breaking was held on October 1st, and construction has begun. This building project will include a learning commons, The Windward Cafe, that will offer coffee, snacks, a small performance stage, and wireless Internet access. There are no plans or money to renovate the existing UC Library as of yet.

* LIBRARIES ANNUAL REPORT 2006-07

<http://www.une.edu/library/whatsnew/lib07.pdf>

* PRINTING

Public Printing continues to be a challenge, especially at the UC Library. Many lengthy Power Point presentations are printed, some with dark backgrounds that waste toner, and some with only one slide per page that waste paper. Printing is offered at UNE at no charge. The cost to install a pay-to-print system is more than we spend on printing per year. This issue will be addressed again, in conjunction with printing in the UNE computer labs, when the new CIO is on board.

THANK YOU for serving on the UFA, Academic Affairs Committee, Library Subcommittee!!!

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