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Student Advisory Committee Minutes B Term 2011

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Library Student Advisory Committee – 12-5-2011

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:
• Library website is undergoing massive change
  o site goes live over the holiday break
  o there will be a promotional event and announcements made to the community
  o feedback is welcomed, but the structure is set for the foreseeable future
  o the website should be rid of jargon
• Blackboard 9.1 is coming
• Equipment loans
  o library now lends calculators
  o HD is considering lending some additional equipment
  o cell phone chargers but there are fine issues so SGA has decided to work with the CC
  o the ATC has new high speed cameras
  o students would like to see mice
  o the HD is working on reminder emails so that students are notified when a laptop is due back.
  o where should stuff be lent from?
  o should all tech be loaned from the HD?
  o students often try the lib desk first because they perceive that it is faster
  o is there anything else we should be considering lending?
    ▪ students would like to see mice
    ▪ Students would like to see more info on things to be lent and for how long they can be borrowed.
      o There is a new lending grid and should be a list of equipment on the new library site.
• The recall system will be in place soon so students can request another person to bring the book back sooner.
• Extended hours in the library
  o library has proposed in the budget to have the lib open till 3am Sun-Thurs.
  o while this is not approved yet they have been asked to pilot this in C-Term
  o 3am matches the SNAP hours
  o right now there are 30-50 students here at 1am

QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE
Q: Is the library more popular with the large freshman class?
A: Library is seeing growth though it is hard to attribute that directly to the large freshman class size.

Q: Can we have another library entrance?
A: No not really.... It is a huge cost so probably not possible. There is a security concern as well as a new staffing need if this was to go into place.