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# Student Advisory Committee Minutes D Term 2013

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Library student advisory committee meeting 4/08/13

In attendance: Fengfan Zhu, Syed Shehroz Hussain, John Breen, Amanda Olm, Don Richardson, Tracey Leger-Hornby, Mary Beth Harrity, Jes Caron, Debbie Bockus, Marie DiRuzza.

No formal agenda for this meeting.

Updates from last meeting:

We had technical issues preventing the install the multi-function copier in the print area over break so this is still coming. There are new print stations on the 1st and 3rd floors. We installed laptop stations in info commons 2. We are looking for feedback on these: do the students like these and are they helpful? Do we need more?

Update on the textbook project. SGA requested the library add textbooks to the Reserve Collection. With SGA funding, a short pilot test is now underway. We have added several as of last week. We will be tracking the usage to see which books are used and if we are unable to meet demand. Next year library and SGA will collaborate to fund this project next year as well. Question: what books get selected and can we consider getting the books for all required courses? We are working on developing criteria for which books are purchased. Weight? Requirement? Large class? Multi-use across terms? Cost? Can a student donate a text book? More discussion will continue next year and data on the pilot will be shared in A term.

Two Representatives from the Committee on Academic Issues (SGA-CAI) attended the meeting (Hussain and Breen)

They raised the following question and started a lively discussion: What can be done for immediate short term plans for space management in the library.

Ground floor - large area but not as heavily used as the third floor because it is missing isolated areas. How can it be used more efficiently? Sound reverberates on the first floor and it is quite distracting.

What can be done right now?

How can cubicle space (small cubes on the third floor of the library) be managed?

Would movable walls help? You can build faux cubicles out of them...

There was a suggestion on having SGA make a motion of support of the library. We have been having meetings on space utilization and trying to engage with all stakeholders. We are trying to meet the needs of all users on campus.

Money is a constraint as is space.

Can SGA review the plans for the library and consider endorsing the plans next academic year? Yes and a funding motion could be submitted

While we are definitely in the process of long term planning, we are also concerned about meeting the short-term needs of the students.

Can we add a List of books on reserve on the website? Any and all feedback on the website and how we get connected to the students is welcomed. We thought that SGA had let students know.

We are working on updating the library card catalogue software and this is coming soon (signing contracts now)

Can the cubicles be reservable? This is a catch 22 for people wanting to just pop in.

Pilot project - you need to check out a card to use the cubicles. Sure we can try. How should we inform everyone? Are signs in the cubicles enough?

IT updates -

New website is coming!

We are getting a new IT service management solution to help make getting assistance easier! We are looking for some beta testers for the new ticketing system and if you are interested in volunteering please let us know