

Library Directors Leadership Team Meeting

December 15, 2014

292 Clark Hall

Minutes

Present: Kornelia Tancheva, Mary Ochs, Curtis Lyons, Bonna Boettcher, and Eric Acree

Guests: Holly Mistlebauer

Agenda

- 10:00 am – 11:10 am – Updates
- 11:10 am – 11:30 am – Gate Counting with Holly Mistlebauer

Updates

Eric

- Established office hours at FAL and Music Library.
- Begin process of updating the Africana Library's website.
- During study week the Africana Library partnered with the Africana Center for pizza party on December 9th.
- When the FAL is relocated in its temporary location, we will suspend Borrow Direct as a pick up location, and will have a morning and afternoon library delivery.

Mary

- Candidates for Mann Library's job share Life Sciences Librarian will be interviewing on Jan. 7 and Jan. 14.
- CUL IT is interviewing for a semantic web/linked data developer to be based at Mann.
- The Geneva Lee Library Task Force will be conducting a survey of Lee Library users in the spring semester. An in-library paper survey will be followed by an online survey. Thanks to Zsuzsa and Gaby for their assistance on the survey.

Bonna

Olin/Uris

- Sponsoring free-pizza-until-it's-gone study breaks in Libe Café at midnight tonight and midnight tomorrow; ordered 240 slices of pizza for tonight, and depending on how long it lasts, may order more for tomorrow.

Annex

- Bids for the fifth module construction work are due at 3 pm on Thursday, December 18, 2014
 - PAR will be submitted by Monday, 22 December

- There will be a separate bid process for the shelving, starting soon.
- Liaison Meeting on Friday, December 12, 2014
 - Gail and Meghan have put forth a proposal to develop a liaison exchange with Columbia, possibly extended to include the U of Toronto. This could be a way of developing a more Public Services component with the 2CUL project. This could be a discussion topic during the June Library Engagement Event that Kornelia is planning.
 - Gaby and Erin spoke to the Liaison group regarding an idea they brought back from an assessment conference they attended at the University of Washington. UW developed program around a space in the library, inviting graduate students from multiple disciplines to present their research. The Liaison Committee members support developing the idea, and spent some time brainstorming, discussing establishing a theme that could resonate across a number of disciplines, and giving the grad students short blocks of time to discuss the theme in their work. We would need to work closely with the Grad School, using their communications channels to publicize the event(s).
- Received an invitation to one of Joel Malina's (VP for University Relations) breakfast meetings
 - Most of the attendees were faculty from the sciences, who spoke about the need to bring in major grants and improving CU's presence in Washington to help those efforts.
 - They expressed concern about how funding is handled for junior faculty (junior faculty must spend their start-up package within a specified number of years)
 - There was general concern about the loss of the print Cornell Chronicle, with suggestions of at least developing it as a tablet app to encourage readership
 - Suggested that the community needs clearer explanations of the budget deficit, how it occurred, and what steps are being taken to ameliorate it.
- Peter Turner's (A-Dean for Administration, AAP) last day was last Friday, December 12, 2014 – Tom Cole has been appointed to take his place

Curtis

- Cornell Tech work is on-going. The biggest hurdle is that we have to work through the administration in order to get to the Faculty and Students. We met the other day to discuss strategies to get around that, once we get the relationships with the Faculty developed we will be able to go straight through them. We are getting requests but not many due as their big work begins in the spring. We will use the demand from this year to estimate their library needs as they scale up in student body.
- Access Services Manager position was listed on Friday, December 12. Angie Wagner's retiring at the end of January 2015. The application deadline is January 9.
- Renovations in Catherwood have been delayed because ILR is in between Deans and facing unknown budget cuts. There is still a possibility of Summer 2015 construction.
- Management meeting again this afternoon to look at plans with architects and hoping they have some numbers on how much it costs – they are taking a lot more library space than expected.
- Kheel Center is waiting to hear on two grants in Jan and Feb, feeling pretty good on both of them.

Kornelia

- LEG Meeting minutes will be posted more efficiently and if you have any further questions regarding something Kornelia can always give you additional info
- Oya announced that she has gotten permission to fill Peter Hirtle's line when he retires, isn't expected to happen before fall of 2015.
 - o Eric suggested that perhaps Peter would like to do a Career Development Week presentation
- LEG will have a retreat in January to discuss strategic directions; perhaps focus on 3-5 areas
- Budget: no firm numbers yet; January LDLT meeting to discuss specifics.

- FAL Project
 - o Architects have finished two schemes (one is within budget and one is a lot over budget); the more modest scheme basically replicates current situation on another floor, adding mainly collections; the more ambitious one requires additional funding; put forward the FAL as a candidate for a grant that the NYS is giving to private institutions for capital project improvements.
- Library Engagement Event (2CUL-Toronto liaison meeting)
 - o Dates are set for June 11 & 12, 2015
- Met with CIT representatives and Dean regarding the public computing authentication issue.
 - o Security issues have prompted CIT to require net id access on their computers; the two library spaces affected at this point are the Uris CIT lab and the classroom in Uris; for classes taught there, there will be a guest password of the day distributed to instructors; Bonna will be working on the details. We advocated that not all computers should be locked by net ids and as a result, the 14 CIT computers in Uris that are outside of those two spaces will not have net id sign-on. Our second concern was patron privacy. We agreed on a six month period for storing personal data. LEG recommended that a sign be posted on the computers. At this point CIT is not requiring the Library to lock down our machines but this is eventually going to be the case. We are open to the idea of having the library computers locked if some are left open.

Steve

- Details remain to be completed on the new PSL librarians office and I will continue on this until it is completed since this started on my watch.
- The EMPS librarians are progressing on organizing an interdisciplinary half day Open Access (OA) event to be held over the upcoming spring break (March 30-April 3 2015). The primary focus will be Engineering and Veterinary that is a logical pairing considering the large amount of biomedical engineering research that takes place in Engineering. The first half would be a librarian panel where OA concepts and author rights are touched on. The second half would be more of a panel around OA and a Q&A session for which we want to gather faculty members, a librarian or two, and perhaps a grad student to serve on the panel. Among other things, they are targeting individuals who have published in OA journals and/or who serve on the board of an OA journal to be on this panel.

Gate Counting with Holly Mistlebauer

Holly Mistlebauer provided an overview of the SenSource people counter system, which Mann Library is hoping to replace their current gate counters with. SenSource uses active infrared 3D video tracking technology to provide accurate people counting data. This data is automatically transmitted to a server which could be shared by all Cornell libraries. This would allow CUL to collect data in a uniform manner and easily produce reports of library use. Holly approached the LDLT to see if funding is available centrally for all of the libraries. Given that only Mann and Uris are in need of new gate counters, it was deemed inappropriate to spend money centrally at this time. Instead, Mann and Uris will pursue this solution on their own and pay for it out of their own budgets.