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Minutes of the Library Assembly, University Libraries, March 20, 2014

Present: Camilla Baker; Darra Ballance; Sandra Bandy; Rod Bustos; Maryska Connolly-Brown; Kathy Davies; Virginia Feher; Julie Gaines (remotely from Athens); Jeff Heck; Melissa Johnson; Kim Mears; Brenda Seago; Peter Shipman; Fay Verburg; Carol Waggoner-Angleton.

Jeff Heck, chair, called the meeting to order at 2:07pm.

- 1. Minutes of the December 9 meeting were approved.
- 2. GRU University Senate update (Bandy):

In previous Library Assembly meetings, Sandra has reported actions from the University Senate meetings. Since activities and the official minutes are now distributed to everyone from the Senate, Sandra will instead treat future Library Assembly meetings as a venue for library faculty to bring forth questions or concerns for the Senate.

3. Committee Reports:

Head Librarian Search Committee (Verburg):

Fay reported that the Reese Library head librarian position will be re-advertised. Brenda announced that Jeff will continue as interim head librarian until the position is filled.

Student Affairs Committee (Mears):

- Student Affairs has been conducting a search for the Dean of Student Life. The Student Affairs committee has been included in the itinerary for the candidates. They met with the first candidate and will meet with the second next week (last week of March).
- Student Affairs is working on a strategic plan and seeking feedback from the committee on the draft.
- Student Affairs asked for volunteers for a Scholarship and Financial Assistance Committee to help review applications from undergraduates for awards to be distributed by financial aid. Kim will participate on the committee.

QEP Committee (Davies):

- The QEP committee is developing a template for the GRU community to submit potential themes. All theme ideas must address the following questions: Does the theme enhance student learning or the learning environment? Does the theme link to strategic priorities of the institution? Will the theme broadly affect the student body?
- The QEP committee will be sharing a video produced to highlight the importance of the QEP process for our students and the university.
- Mickey Williford, chair of QEP committee, will present the QEP awareness video and an overview of the QEP planning process to GRU Libraries on May 8.

SACS Committees (Heck):

Jeff reported that the artifacts reconciliation team is in phase I of making sure that college policies do not conflict with university policies.

Budget Advisory, Information Technology, and University Resources Committee (Seago):

Brenda distributed a copy of the BAITUR recommendations.

Director of Faculty Development Search Committee (Baker):

Camilla is serving on the search committee.

Automation Librarian Search Committee (Heck):

Steven Shelton is the new Greenblatt systems librarian, starting May 1st. His office will be in the Research and Education Services area.

Athletics Committee (Shipman):

The Athletics committee is working to renew interest in academic advising for athletes.

Next Generation ILS (Bustos):

Rod has been attending the virtual next generation systems presentations.

GALILEO Ebook Committee: (Connolly-Brown):

Maryska is a member of the GALILEO eBook committee. GALILEO has a 2.5 million eBook initiative with a focus on textbooks.

- 4. Unfinished Business
 - A. Open Access Resolution ad hoc committee update (Bandy): Work on the Open Access Resolution continues.
 - B. Affordable Learning Georgia (Feher/Johnson): Virginia is a team member for a Complete College Georgia grant application related to Open Educational Resources (OERs).
 - C. Elections (Verburg)

Deadline for submissions for nominations was March 17th; ballots will go out by COB March 21st. It will be an electronic ballot.

- 5. New Business: none.
- 6. Announcements:

Fay announced that Camilla Baker will be retiring at the end of May.

Brenda announced that the Library Advisory Committee has been meeting

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monthly, and library resources are highlighted at each meeting. The committee reviewed and approved of the Libraries' collection development policy. SciVal will be the next highlighted resource.

Julie announced that March 21 is match day at the Athens campus.

Erin Prentiss, newly hired Reference/User Engagement Librarian will start April 1st.

The meeting adjourned at 2:40pm.