

Library Committee Meeting

10/19/04

Those members present: Lynn Cadle, Tony Kellman, Christine Crookall, Judy Gordon, Jim Grayson, Debbie Van Tuyll, Jason Stone (student), and Bill Nelson, Director of Reese Library (Ex Officio). Julie Hatfield and Kenric Johnson, both student members of the committee, were unable to attend.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Lynn Cadle. The last meeting minutes were approved, and there was an amendment of the current agenda in the form of the introduction of new committee members. Lynn was re-elected as Chair of the Library Committee. Camilla Reid was suggested to be the Recorder. For this meeting, Tony Kellman was the Recorder.

Bill Nelson in his report discussed the construction of the new Student Center which will be located adjacent to the front of the Library. In November, preparation for the building of the center is expected to commence with full construction beginning at the end of the semester. Work is expected to take one year to eighteen months to complete. During construction, the entrance to the library will be on the west side, returning to its current entrance after building completion. The Library and the Student Center will be linked by an atrium and a courtyard with vending machines. A sprinkler system is to be installed in the library. This will disrupt service while it is being installed. A suggestion was made to have Kathy Hamrick attend a library meeting to go over the building blueprint. This was deemed unnecessary since Bill Nelson is included in all building planning meetings and can relay any information to the committee.

The question of parking was raised. During construction, it will be difficult to reach the library. After construction, there'll be more crossways and more parking is planned in the areas where Hardy Hall and Butler Hall used to be.

Dr. Nelson went over the committee's goals, assessments, and yearly report, summarizing its yearly activities. These reports are filed with the Vice President for Academic Affairs. He praised the VP for his commitment to academic library acquisitions. He noted that \$50,000 was recently made available for acquisitions through the Committee's recommendation and the VP's advocacy, for the Library and academic programs acquisitions. The annual assessment report should be completed in November.

The Library Committee's current charge is to assess the results of the last two Library surveys which comprise data from both faculty and students. It is expected that the survey's findings will be integrated into the annual assessment report. Camilla Reid will inform the committee of the survey results.

The committee expects to meet six times this year, between November and April. This semester, meetings will be held at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesdays. The November meeting will be held in the Library's conference room on the 30th.

The meeting was adjourned at 2.30 p.m.