

**June 25, 2004
Chair's Report
Library Committee**

Responsibilities:

The committee advises the Director of the Library on such matters as allocation of funds for library acquisitions, review of library services to students and faculty, and recommendation of improvements and changes in these services. The committee also serves as a liaison between the library staff and the faculty.

Membership and Attendance:

The 2003-2004 Library Committee Members are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Lynn Cadle	Chair, Faculty/College of Education	6 out of 6
Linda Prior	Faculty/College of Arts and Sciences	6 out of 6
Sam Richardson	Faculty/College of Arts and Sciences	4 out of 6
Judy Gordon	Faculty/College of Arts and Sciences	4 out of 6
Jim Grayson	Faculty/College of Business	5 out of 6
Tony Kellman	Faculty/College of Arts and Sciences	0 out of 6
Concetta Knox	Student	0 out of 6
James Styczynski	Student	0 out of 6
Natalya Delgado	Student	4 out of 6
Bill Nelson, Director of Reese Library – Ex Officio and Non-Voting		6 out of 6
Guest - Camilla Reid	Associate Director of Reese Library	6 out of 6

Committee Activities and Achievements:

This committee was composed of members who were cooperative, collegial, and dedicated to the committee's purpose. They kept the interests of students and faculty, the Library consumers, a priority at all times. Attendance by members was regular and their contributions to the work of the committee were substantive. As chair, I appreciate very much the efforts put forth by each of the committee members. I am especially impressed by and grateful for the commitment and work of Dr. Bill Nelson and Camilla Reid, Director and Associate Director, respectively, of Reese Library. Both contributed greatly to the committee's efforts and provide exemplary leadership to their staff. Augusta State University is indeed fortunate to have these professionals as library faculty.

Following are the accomplishments of the 2003-2004 Library Committee:

1. The committee continued its work toward addressing the special concerns and suggestions from the SACS Self Study Steering Committee. The FY2004 Unit Plan was developed with a focus on incorporating these suggestions.

2. A Library Review document was developed that contained information relative to Library funding, the importance of GALILEO, and ASU Media Services as a funding priority. The document also pointed out the potential effect of proposed budget cuts on Library acquisitions, services, and staffing.

3. The committee drafted and administered a campus-wide Faculty Satisfaction Survey in spring of 2004. This year the questions addressed services, materials, and equipment of the Curriculum Center and Media Services as well as those provided by Reese Library. The document was distributed to teaching faculty in all colleges of the University. For the first time ever, the survey was constructed in a format that permitted the data to be collected electronically. Ms. Jackie Stewart from Institutional Research was instrumental in organizing the information in the required format and preparing the document for printing and scoring. The committee is in the process of analyzing the data.

4. Dr. Samuel Sullivan, Vice President of Academic Affairs, recently announced to Dr. Nelson that he had recommended an additional appropriation for the Reese Library in the fy2005 budget. Dr. Sullivan added \$30,000 for academic journals and \$20,000 to replace outdated books. The critical need for additional funds came to Dr. Sullivan's attention as a result of the work and lobbying of this and previous committees and the efforts of the Director and Associate Director of Reese Library. The Faculty Library Committee sincerely thanks Dr. Sullivan for his commitment to academics in general and to the Reese Library, in particular.

The Committee minutes for the 2003-2004 academic year will be posted on-line and can be accessed through the Library's web-site at http://www.aug.edu/library_committee/