

Library Meeting Minutes, 9/15/2016 (3-4pm)

Members present: Monica Bontty, John Anderson, (presiding) Anita Sharma, Wendy Bailes, Greg Smith, Will Rogers, Cynthia Robertson

Absent and Excused: Jana Giles, David Hare, Dusty Mardis, Lance Nickelson, Jennifer Whited

I. Old Business and Minutes:

Meeting was called to order by Anderson.

There was a question about minutes from last meeting No one could remember or had old minutes from the previous meeting.

Anderson asked for volunteers for secretary. Rogers volunteered. A vote was taken, and all were in favor.

II. Continuing Business:

Robertson gave an update on deselection:

- With respect to deselection, the goal, 50 percent of the collection or 180,000 volumes, to be reached by summer. Currently, staff were processing 5,000 a month.
- Robertson explained that the late opening of Sandel Hall and construction delays have slowed the deselection process.
- In addition, Robertson explained that the goal of deselection and the development of the library as a digital learning space have changed somewhat: the construction has been scaled back from Dean Smith's original plan. As a result, the Library staff are collaborating with Computing Center and taking into account what the Registrar's office needs.

Megan Lowe is generating a user survey based on her recent conference visit

Records Management also will benefit from expansion

Louis expansion, funding from BoR, to offer digital versions of textbooks (4 so far)

One has unlimited access, and the other three have a limit of 3 simultaneous users.

A discussion followed about deselection and the new renovations:

- Bontty asked about individual lighting control for classrooms; the budget for renovation was apparently too small for those kinds of repairs.
- Anderson asked about the original idea for deselection; Robertson responded the discussion was between Dean Smith and Bruno.
- Sharma asked about the original goal of the deselection process, and Robertson explained the history of deselection.

III. Library access and app

Discussion of Library app:

- Anderson asked about student uses of the library, and how many of the services/subjects are available via cell phone.

- Robertson agreed that the library could use assistance spreading knowledge about access of its materials.
- Sharma asked about assistance from the library with research.
- Anderson pointed out that the library is difficult to find for students on the ULM website and pointed out the library needs to be more visible.
- Bailes suggested an app for the library.
- Bontty asked about an open house for the library.
- Questions arose about publicity for the library, including Prep, Browse, and University Seminar
- Committee suggested further investigation into increasing students' knowledge of and familiarity with the library.

Anderson made a motion that the library add an app to the larger ULM app, Rogers seconded motion, and the motion passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned.