Minutes on UCL meeting 10/4/2022

Minutes from Apr 22, 2022 were approved

Election volunteers

- Terri Miller asked for volunteers for Chair and Secretary
- Daryl Thompson volunteered for Chair
- No volunteer for Secretary

Committee members introduced themselves

Library Updates - Terri Miller, Interim Dean

Library Dean Search

- Joe Salem has taken new position at Duke
- Terri Miller is serving as interim dean
- The university will be conducting a new search for dean of libraries.

Library Comprehensive Space and Services

- Includes Library, Archives, and Univ. Press
- Data collection has occurred over the summer regarding spaces
- Now moving into the public engagement portion
- Looking at which parts of the library we want to amplify
  - Will be influential for the capital campaign

$5 million donation to remodel the 3rd floor

- Now designing
- Post-covid cost estimate
- 3rd floor east wing:
  - Special collections HVAC center
    - Trying to update the air handling for HVAC
  - Move some items there
  - Others will remain in remote storage
  - Reading room and special displays will remain on the 1st floor
  - Move to consolidate staffing on 3rd floor also

Kellogg Biological Station Library (Gull Lake Library)

- Major mold outbreak
  - 200-300k to recover was too much so chose not to
  - 15k books except for a couple of hundred will be destroyed
  - Have decided to save a selective portion of the books there
Many are already available online and others will be replaced with electronic
  o Will make further use of mailing books to faculty now that branch is closing

Library is hiring a ton of positions
  - 4 postings
    o Engineering, music, and 2 information literacy librarians
    o Also, a new posting for digital scholarship lab librarian will occur soon.
      There was a prior failed search for this job.

Sharon Leon:
  - Sounds like there are complaints about new integrated library system
  - Concerns about corporate spying on our library searching
  - Terri’s response:
    o We needed to shop for a new ILS because our prior ILS was not being supported and not cloud based
    o The options were one from EBSCO, one from ProQuest (OCLC was not an option)
      ▪ Folio is the ILS that was chosen, but then shortly thereafter EBSCO became a corporate development partner.
        • EBSCO has a well-established front-end discovery system
        • FOLIO is open source and is the back end of the system
          o Cataloging and acquisitions
        • EBSCO development resources helped FOLIO development move more quickly after the partnership started.
      ▪ EBSCO Discovery System (EDS) is the front end and the most disappointing part of the ILS; it does not work with the precision search of the old system.
        • MSU library developers are now working on a public interface with VuFind
          o VuFind will be slowly integrated into EDS and will be more of the advanced catalog search function rather
          o We might see some progress in January or February

Lynn Wolff
  - How do we connect to students and explain how to find library resources?
  - Terri’s explanation
    o EDS and discovery services are intuitive to younger students
      ▪ Prior to discovery services, there was a difficulty with explaining call numbers.
        • Students like the discovery services.
However, more experienced students with more detailed questions may need to have more specialized searching.

Information Literacy Librarians

- Work with students in university writing classes

Liaison librarians can help people find the various resources

- Carin Graves seconded this
  
  Please contact the liaison librarians about helping students and show them how to distinguish and search for
  
  - Books
  
  - Journal articles (as opposed to magazine articles)

- Susan Kendall

  One of the challenges as we move to more electronic resources is that we are still struggling to implement a way to effectively search both print and electronic sources simultaneously.