

MINUTES OF THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
February 27, 2013

Betsy Pudliner, vice-chair, convened the meeting at 4:02 p.m., in Witters Conference Room 4440.

Present: Melissa Caldwell, Gary Hanebrink, Teri Hunt, Amitabh Joshi, Newton Key, Patrick Lach, Dean Allen Lanham, Robert Martinez, Betsy Pudliner, Jay Shinde, Jenny Sipes, and Ed Wehrle.

Absent: Darren Hendrickson, Ryan Hendrickson, James Ochwa-Echel, John Proffitt, Amy Rosenstein, and Joy Yao.

I. Welcome and Comments

A motion was made by Dr. Patrick Lach and seconded by Dr. Jay Shinde to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2013, meeting. The motion carried.

II. Communications

No communications were received.

III. Old Business

Dr. Lanham reminded the Board that March 18, the first Monday after Spring Break, is the deadline for students to submit their work for the 2013 Booth Library *Awards for Excellence in Student Research and Creativity*. Board members were encouraged to mention the program to their colleagues and students.

Dr. Ed Wehrle asked about the e-book products that Marlene Slough discussed at the last meeting. Dean Lanham indicated that there have been no changes. The Collection Development Committee recently discussed Project Muse University Press E-Book prices and decided that they were unaffordable. Dr. Newton Key mentioned that the University of Illinois is purchasing e-books but not lending through interlibrary loan because of licensing agreements. As more and more books are purchased as e-books, there will not be sharing and this is a concern to faculty. He asked if anything was being done on the state level with regard to this issue. Dean Lanham stated that the publishing industry discourages the loaning of e-books. The Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI) organization members have invested together in e-book products, however publishers have been slow to accept our lending conditions.

IV. New Business

Dean's Report

Dr. Lanham introduced Jocelyn Tipton, Head of Reference, who spoke to the group about public our services activities. In the area of Reference Services, she discussed that services are provided in various formats, including in-person, phone, email, and chat. The chat service is conducted as part of a national consortium that allows the students to have access to research help 24/7. This academic year, roving reference was added. This is where the librarians move

through the building to help answer questions and follow-up with patrons at the point of need, rather than just at a service desk. She also discussed library instruction options. Librarians are conducting sessions, depending on class size, in the e-classroom or in the teaching classrooms. Most sessions are still a one-time assignment-focused class, but she noted there has been more faculty choosing to create assignments that are library-research specific, and collaborating with their subject bibliographers to provide additional sessions. Reference librarians are also working to create widgets and other ways to increase the library's presence in D2L (Desire to Learn). Ms. Tipton also reported on the Library's increased efforts to support EIU's recruitment and retention efforts which include participating in open houses, Debut and Transfer Day table fairs, and working with students in the Gateway program and the Summer Institute for Higher Learning.

Personnel

Dean Lanham announced that Jocelyn Tipton has resigned from Booth Library to accept the position of associate dean at "Ole Miss," the University of Mississippi.

A faculty search is currently in process to fill a position in Reference vacated by Stacey Knight-Davis when she became the department head for Library Technology. To date there have been more than 80 candidates for this position.

Public Service Issues

The 2012 Patron Satisfaction Survey was distributed to Board members. Dean Lanham asked them to review the survey so that questions or concerns could be discussed at the next meeting.

The 2013 Periodical and Standing Order Review has begun. More than half of the Library's budget goes into purchasing these materials.

Dean Lanham also mentioned that the Web Committee is updating sections of Booth Library's website.

Library Budget Issues

The FY2013 budget standing has no changes since our last meeting.

Equipment for Booth Library has been ordered; the expenditure of \$66,000 was approved by the Provost.

Programming Events

- Booth After Hours, honoring EIU's veteran students, has been postponed until early fall.
- *America's Music: A Film History of our Popular Music from Blues to Bluegrass to Broadway*. Attendance at the program events has exceeded expectations. Dr. Lanham reminded the Board of the upcoming events.
- *The Yellow Wall-Paper* series is scheduled for fall 2013. Invitations have been sent out for faculty and student participation, especially in the area of counseling and education. Stacey Knight-Davis is program coordinator for this event.

Planning Issues

Planned events and major exhibitions are:

- *Literature of Prescription: Charlotte Perkins Gilman and the Yellow Wall Paper*, exhibit and event series, September 23 to November 2, 2013, NLM/NIH.
- The Decade of the 1960s (working title), exhibit and speaker series is planned for fall 2014.
- *Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War* exhibit and speaker series, September 1 to October 15, 2015, ALA/U.S. Constitution Center.
- *For All the World to See: Visual Culture and the Struggle for Civil Rights*, exhibit and event series, September 1 to October 20, 2016, NEH on the Road.
- *Bridging Cultures Bookshelf: Muslim Journeys*, a grant received from the NEH/ALA allowed Booth Library to add 25 books and three films to its collection about Muslim beliefs and practices and the cultural heritage associated with Islamic civilizations. Booth librarians Kirstin Duffin, Pamela Ortega and Janice Derr, have applied to NEH to receive up to \$4,500 in programming support for scholar-led reading and discussion programs based upon these books and films.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Christine Derrickson, Recording Secretary