

Library Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2015

Present: Faisal Aasi, Diane Collins, Jerome Evans, Charles Hobbs, Alberto Jimenez Ruth Roach, , Estina Pratt, Andree Valdry

Minutes

Dr. Evans moved to approve and Dr. Roach seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the September 10th meeting, which were approved unanimously by the members.

Website Updates

New pathfinders were added to the site, which need to be publicized to the campus community. Mr. Hobbs has a list of “hot” topics but is open to any and all suggestions from the faculty.

Dr. Roach suggested a list of African Americans and Latinos involved in the STEM fields.

Ms. Collins suggested “domestic violence” be added to the list as it is a significant problem in the community. She also suggested a pathfinder on HIV/Safer Sex.

A pathfinder on gun control was also suggested, which prompted a lively discussion on whether or not faculty should be armed

E-Books

The librarians promote the EBSCO e-book database in class orientations

Mr. Hobbs is working on integrating the database with Voyager so that e-books will appear in the OPAC searches.

Requests

We also use non-traditional sources for potential additions to the collection (media, interviews, etc.).

We need expert advice on subject collections. This is an excellent opportunity for faculty to become more involved in collection development in their particular area of expertise.

Equity Plan

Mr. Jimenez spoke about the Equity Plan. Funds are available for a variety of projects to increase enrollment and retention. For example, some schools are using funds to start a textbook loan plan for their campus. Please contact him for more information

We are also having a Male Speaker Series during the month of November. Flex credit is available, so don't forget to sign up on the Flex Reporter site.

Dr. Evans suggested that Albert elaborate on the student equity findings at the next meeting.

Library Survey

We are currently conducting a satisfaction survey until the end of October. Please encourage your students to fill out the survey when they visit the library

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40PM.