

Simon Fraser University Library
Senate Library Committee
Minutes of the Meeting of February 16, 2015

Attending: Gwen Bird
Shawn Bullock
Glenn Chapman
Daryl Clarke
Michael Filimowicz
Natalie Gick
Joy Johnson (Chair)
Daniel Leznoff
Gordon Myers
Wade Parkhouse
Donya Samadi
Susie Smith (Recording Secretary)
Nicole White

Guests:
Patty Gallilee
Brian Owen

Absent: David Burley
Kayode Fatoba
Laura Marks

Brent McFerran
Stephen Steele
Ljiljana Trajkovic

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- At recent Vice Presidents/Deans Meeting about the Library, including support for Community Engagement.
 - The Library is working with the Budget Committee on the US Dollar, and its impact on the collection.
5. **Dean of Library Services Report (Gwen)**
- October – December 2014 Gwen m...
In general, there is high satisfaction among members. Efforts to communicate internally stepped in response to some concerns in a changing environment.
 - SFU Library partnered with University of Victoria to purchase an array of digital...

Gale/Cengage at a deeply discounted rate under the banner "Points to the Past". Due to the scope of the purchase, it allowed us to negotiate with the publisher to extend access to all citizens of BC.

- Donna McGee-Thomson, Head of the Student Learning Commons, received Healthy Campus Community Champion 2014
- Planning is underway for four events related to Special Collections in 2015
- Inaugural Library Undergraduate Award was given to Omeed Lakhani, a volunteer learning and writing peer in the Student Learning Commons

6. **Budget Review Committee and University Priorities Fund (Natalie)**

- Budget report distributed to the committee
- Natalie reported on 2014-15 Deans' carry-forward funding provided to the Library.
- She reviewed the Library's 2015-16 UPF proposals. Danny asked about the level of support given to the Library. Natalie advised that this year there was less money available overall and there were more UPF requests submitted. The big difference is the number of projects approved last year of which most were multi-year.
- Reviewed 2015-16 Budget Review requests and 2013-18 Vice President Academic support.

7. **Collections Budget (Patty)**

- The USD/CAD exchange rate has increased significantly, especially since late fall. Gwen discussed this concern with Joy. The Vice-President agreed to cover the forecasted library collection budget deficit of 455K.
- Library staff will be having a meeting with Finance on Feb. 17th to discuss increasing budget security around the USD exchange. Note 82% of acquisitions are in US dollars.
- A Task Group has been created to finalize principles/strategies for identifying resources to cancel. The committee is made up of Library Staff and 3 volunteers (Danny Leznoff, Stephen Steele and Athina Pilarinos) from this committee.

8. **Shared Print Archive Network (Patty)**

- SFU Library is participating in this Western Canadian collaboration to collectively manage the preservation of print volumes.
- Library has agreed to be an archive holder for 264 journal titles.
- Patty advised that all titles we nominate to withdraw are available electronically.
- Glenn asked if there is any ability to calculate how many downloads are of Open Access books. Patty to look into this.

9. **New Fines/Blocking Policy (Gwen)**

Blocks were placed on patrons with fines over \$50. After the first semester, 153 patrons blocked, 92 paid/appealed or presented a plan and 61 were unresolved. We received back \$9000 of unpaid fines.

10. **Bennett 24/7 and Renovations (Natalie)**

- WAC Bennett Library again opened 24/7 for Fall end of classes and exams. We were open for 27 days and approximately 18,000 students used the Library during the overnight periods.
- Belzberg Library – for 25th Anniversary, the Library received new gates, furniture, carpets, 2 faster printers and updated look.
- Fraser Library extended hours for Fall exams and moved furniture to create better study space.
- Bennett Library – main floor and Research Commons renovations close to complete. A new 2nd Floor study space is underway.
- A total of 92 students were interviewed (82 Undergraduates, 9 Faculty and 1 Graduate) to assess the main floor renovations. They are pleased with the comfortable seating, large tables and ubiquitous access to power, and most felt that library study spaces like this one positively impact their student experience

11. **Update on National Initiatives (Gwen)**

- CRKN –Multi-year deal e-resources. There is a number of large packages coming up for renewals
- CARL – March 2014, CARL launched Project ARC to develop a library-based research data management (RDM) network in Canada. The network is called Portage: supporting Canadian innovation through shared expertise and stewardship of research data.
- Librarian Research Institute – SFU will be hosting this institute from June 15-19, 2015. Thirty participants from across Canada are expected, for training in research methods and mentoring on librarians' scholarly research.

12. **Other Business**

There was no new business.

Adjourn 3:52pm

<p>NEXT MEETING: Monday, June 8, 2015 3:15 pm – 4:30 pm Room 7010</p>
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