Gibson suggested that the group accept responsibility for organizing regular reporting on progress towards library goals and objectives. The group agreed this would be appropriate. There was discussion about frequency of reporting and three times a year (every four months) seemed to be the general consensus. Gibson will talk to the dean’s office about organizing this activity and report back to the group.

Holt suggested the committee work with the Staff Concerns Committee to distribute information. He suggested that repeated meetings be held so that all staff have an opportunity to attend.

Banks mentioned that the Administrative Group normally examines the library’s goals in June and reprioritizes them if necessary. Because a meeting was just held in which goals were updated and reported on, the Admin Group will likely not be doing this. It was suggested that the committee ask the Admin Group to indicate any shifts in priority so that the committee can be sure to stay updated on progress.

Reports:

Ganson:
- Fiscal year purchasing is winding down. Selectors produced a list of one-time purchase opportunities.
- Beginning July 1, the Libraries will begin receiving 2% indirect costs from grants.
- Two things are impacting the budget at this time: The state library is no longer paying for FirstSearch. ArkLink is working on a potential deal in which we will participate; and, the Council of University Research Libraries (CUARL) is negotiating a 3 year Science Direct renewal. CUARL will meet on May 29. Ganson is co-chair of the collection development group.
- The Course and Programs Committee meets once a month. The Provost wants all new program proposals to include an estimate of library materials needed to support that program.
- Funds are being added to the base to support the sustainability and bio-medical programs.
- The GRE has not traditionally been required of all graduate programs and continue to not be required for some programs.
- Approximately 3 or 4 years ago the state legislature passed a bill that reduces the required number of hours for graduation to 120.
- Any changes in program focus are being reported and should continue to be.
- This groups should plan a post-ALA meeting where attendees would report on the sessions they attended.

Banks:
• Jeff will be attending a faculty recruitment for diversity seminar next week.
• An analysis of the pool of open positions shows that the Libraries are doing a better job of recruiting diverse candidates.
• The library will make plans for a Juneteenth celebration.
• Employee training: The Libraries are planning to take advantage of university-sponsored training wherever possible. The Libraries will develop training for library-specific skills.

Thompson:
• Colleen Williams attended IUG.
• The law library is open 24/7 for law students.
• Law is searching for a Serials/Acq person.
• Law school is working on accreditation visit set for this fall.

Nutt:
• May is Arkansas Heritage Month. The theme is Arkansas Structures. A display is mounted downstairs.
• Special Collections is using the large cases near their entry to increase the availability of rotating displays.

Hartman:
• The Web Group is conducting a participatory design study to solicit from students what they would like to see on a mobile library app.
• The Libraries will have an “education corner” at the Juneteenth celebration June 15.

Holt:
• The Staff Concerns Committee finished their operations document and fixed their reporting problems.
• The SCC is discussing ideas for better methods to “get the word out.”

Kulczak:
• The Faculty Concerns committee is finishing their work on a couple of procedural documents.
• FCC is developing ideas for collaboration with the SCC.

Boyd:
• The Sustainability Council is working with UITS on a Zero Climate Project. They are looking at replacing computing lab pcs with dumb terminals that connect to services.

Lennertz-Jetton:
• The ARS group will start meeting again soon.
• 24/7 library hours are in full swing.
• Reference is working on communicating with students via Skype.
• Lennertz-Jetton is working to identify staffing needs.
In closing, the committee agreed to meet every other month. The next meeting is scheduled for June 21 at 10:00 am in 486.

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