Strategic Initiatives Committee Meeting. Tuesday, April 26, 2011. Present: Judy Ganson, Cheryl Conway, Molly Boyd.

First strategy for committee members is to conduct research on national trends, what issues are out there and how they will impact us. Send links to committee members of suggested articles and information to review, including:

2. The ACRL publication Value of Academic Libraries: A Comprehensive Research Review and Report, a review of the quantitative and qualitative literature, methodologies and best practices currently in place for demonstrating the value of academic libraries, developed for ACRL by Megan Oakleaf of the iSchool at Syracuse University. [http://www.acrl.ala.org/value/](http://www.acrl.ala.org/value/)
4. University reports and Websites (committee charge from Dean Allen):
   c. Vice Provost for Research: [http://rssp.uark.edu/](http://rssp.uark.edu/)
   d. Provost’s Office: [http://provost.uark.edu/](http://provost.uark.edu/)
   e. College of Continuing Education and Outreach: [http://sceao.uark.edu/About_Us/index.html](http://sceao.uark.edu/About_Us/index.html)
   f. Teaching and Support Center: [http://tfsc.uark.edu/](http://tfsc.uark.edu/)

After review of these materials, committee members will discuss major issues. Will not consider funding, budget, or staff when creating goals, only consider creating the right goals and the means of accomplishing them. Space will be a consideration and may be addressed in goals, such as repurposing space for student needs.

Involvement of library faculty and staff at large should begin after the 8-10 goals have been drafted.

Communication between committees: Library directors Juana Young and Judy Ganson will report to one another on a regular basis about the progress of and issues facing their respective committees, and will call joint meetings between the two committees when broader discussion is warranted. The work of the organizational structure committee will affect how strategic goals are accomplished; therefore, open communication is vital.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 3, 2 p.m. in 472B. Agenda: discuss national trends that we need to address or review.