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# MINUTES OF THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

## September 20, 2017

Dr. Nora Pat Small, chair of the Library Advisory Board, convened the meeting at 4:03 p.m. in Witters Conference Room 4440.

Present: Dés Adom, Wutthigrai Boonsuk, Crystal Brown, Stefan Eckert, Zaria Greene, Lance Hogan, Nora Pat Small, Jennifer Smith and Bailey Young

Excused (including alternates): Linda Ghent, Sham'ah Md-Yunus, and Gopal Periyannan

### I. **Welcome and Comments**

Chair, Dr. Nora Pat Small, asked all members to identify themselves and who they represented. This year the board has a student representative, Zaria Greene.

#### Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Dr. Lance Hogan and seconded by Crystal Brown to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2017, meeting. The motion passed with two abstentions.

### II. **Communications**

Communications were received from Dr. Gopal Periyannan, Dr. Linda Ghent, and Dr. Sham'ah Md-Yunus regarding their inability to attend today's meeting. Dr. Ghent is on sabbatical and Dr. Md-Yunus has a class conflict, so both will be unable to attend this fall semester.

### III. **Old Business**

None.

### IV. **New Business**

Awards for Excellence program. Dean Bradley Tolppanen explained to the Board, for the benefit of the new members, that the Awards for Excellence program is an LAB effort to encourage students to present their scholarly work and possibly receive monetary compensation. Dr. Nora Pat Small explained that the date the Board would meet to review student submissions has not yet been set but is usually held the week after the deadline for students to submit. The deadline for students to submit is usually the Friday after spring break, in March.

Dr. Nora Pat Small mentioned that in the executive board meeting, Dr. Gopal Periyannan wanted this board to actively engage in the effort of promoting the library. President Glassman has been quoted as saying that the library "is a jewel in the crown of the university." It was requested that the Board come up with ideas on how the library could be promoted.

### **Dean's Report**

#### **I. Welcome**

Dean Tolppanen thanked Board members for serving on the Library Advisory Board this academic year.

Bradley Tolppanen reviewed several of the Booth Library documents in the Board packets. Additional attention was spent explaining what CARLI was and how shared purchases by a consortium greatly benefited the library. Missing in the packet was the Book and Materials Budget sheet for FY 2018 due to budget figures not yet being made available.

With respect to retirements and staffing, Dean Tolppanen mentioned that there were three faculty retirements this summer—Ann Brownson in May, Allen Lanham in June, and Pamela Ferrell in August. All had completed at least 20 years of service to the library and EIU.

Permission was given for the library to hire two Unit B faculty. Michele McDaniel was hired on August 1, 2017, and is the educational librarian and is responsible for the BTC. The committee is in the middle of a search for the other Unit B faculty person. It is expected that someone will be hired in three to four weeks.

On the civil service side, Lee Whitacre, who had been at the library for nine years, moved to the University of Illinois. The library was given permission to fill her position. Other changes include Bradley Tolppanen, former head of the Circulation department, became acting dean on July 1, 2017, and Kirstin Duffin is currently filling the position as head of Circulation.

## **II. Public Service and Collection Issues**

New projector equipment has been installed in Witters Conference Room, as well as the dean's conference room.

## **III. Programming Events**

Booth Library's current exhibit, *Twenty Years of Harry Potter: Celebrating a Phenomenon*, opened on September 14<sup>th</sup> with over 135 patrons viewing the exhibit as well as attending the opening program, *The Boy Who Lived: Harry Potter and the Culture of Death*, by keynote speaker, Suzie Park, professor of English.

Dean Tolppanen noted that Booth Library generally has one major exhibit each academic year and one smaller one. Some are traveling exhibits, for which we receive materials, and others are prepared by faculty and staff in the library, using other campus faculty, as well. In January 2018, the library will host the exhibit, *Symbols of Service*, a University of Illinois exhibit. In addition, library staff will add to this exhibit with their own, *Designs of Duty*, our local version of the U of I exhibit. This exhibit will feature local veterans with their tattoos. This semester the Dean's office has a writing student intern of Dr. Terri Fredrick, who is working on this exhibit with others in the library. Dr. Small pointed out that the Tarble Arts has a current exhibitor, Ben Venom, whose medium of quilting uses imagery found from vintage tattoos.

Additional planned exhibits, the last two being traveling exhibits, are:

- *Influenza Pandemic Centennial* (tentative), Fall 2018
- *A Century of Citizen Action in Health Care Reform*, Sept.-Nov., 2019
- *Fire and Freedom: Food and Enslavement in Early America*, October 12-November 21, 2020

## **IV. Planning Issues**

Provost Gatrell has directed Booth Library to pursue a furniture update, as the furniture has been the same since 2002 and much of it is in need of a refresh and modernization. This will impact only certain public areas of the library—the two lounges on the 3000 level, the 1000 level atrium and a little bit in BTC. In addition, some computers will be updated. Four of Booth Library's group study rooms will get an upgrade of glass boards and monitors.

## **V. Financial Issues**

Like the rest of campus, Booth Library does not have a budget yet. The Book and Materials budget is generally \$1.1 million and has suffered a one-third reduction over the last three to

four years. Unfortunately, fixed costs, like the journal subscriptions, are eating into the discretionary spending (books and individual items for departments).

#### **VI. Other**

Booth Library's book sale took place today. All monies go into the library's gift account.

The library received six to seven Redden grants this year. In addition, Lee Patterson received a grant to obtain materials in his area for the library.

On August 16<sup>th</sup> the library hosted the new faculty orientation.

Dean Tolppanen talked about Kanopy, which is a streaming database, and encouraged its use.

Dr. Small questioned the Dean on room reservation policies.

Jennifer Smith had the idea to have some sort of Scholastic Bowl for middle-school aged children, to introduce them to the library (where they would need to find their answers), as well as introduce them to EIU.

#### **V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:  
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