Present: Tammy Sugarman, Joseph Hacker, Audrey Goodman, Leslie Marsh, Scheherazade Taylor, Timothy Renick

Absent: Tim Nichols, Chris Fenn, Jennifer Esposito, Corneill Stephens, Eddie Christie, Josh Russell, Florian Enescu, Mark McFarland, Bala Ramesh

The meeting began with a brief introduction of members.

GENERAL DISCUSSION – INTERIM DEAN SUGARMAN

CURVE: The committee was updated on the CURVE (Collaborative University Research and Visualization Environment) Project. This is a $1 million project to create a technology-rich space. In preparation for the CURVE, the library has undertaken several collection moves to provide space. This included the move of all VHS tapes and DVDs. Also current periodicals located on LN1 were moved to LN3 allowing all periodicals to be housed in one location.

A floor-to-ceiling temporary wall will be built on LS2 to contain CURVE construction, dust, and noise. Based on feedback received at the CURVE briefings, there will be a small observation window (“peep hole”) and signage on the wall advertising the space coming soon (like at the mall). The wall is scheduled to be built Sept. 26-28. Construction is expected to be completed in the spring 2014. Architects are Collins Cooper Carusi, construction by New South Construction.

SERVICE DESK: A technology desk has been created on LN2. This desk provides laptop and equipment checkout, support for library collaborative spaces and classrooms, and technology support for library users. The library recently ended a paid contract with IS&T to provide technology support students within the library. The library now hires and trains students to provide technical support and other services at the Technology Support Desk.

GENERAL UPDATES: Quick print stations and new digital signage have been installed on LN1 & LN2. The ILL unit has expanded desktop article delivery services for faculty. The service will fill requests for copies of journal articles located in the library’s microfilm/fiche collection. This service was previously limited to articles located in the print collection (this is still the case for graduate student requests). Due to copyright restrictions, we are limited to providing only one article per journal issue for all users. During the first two weeks of classes during high-traffic hours, library employees and Student Library Advisory Council members were stationed at the library entrances to welcome students and answer directional questions. Lawsuit – oral arguments scheduled for November 19th.

LIBRARY Fee: The $35 fee will sunset at end of the fiscal year. A proposal to reduce the fee to $5.00 is in the planning stages. The fee will cover library initiatives such as extending library hours. The proposal will be presented to the Student Mandatory Fee Committee. Information about the timeline for presenting the proposal will be ascertained at the Sept. 27 informational meeting.

DIGITAL INITIATIVES LIBRARIAN – SEAN LIND

The committee was introduced to Sean Lind, Digital Initiatives Librarian.

RENAME THE DIGITAL ARCHIVE: The digital archive has been renamed. It is now called ScholarWorks @ Georgia State University. The name change was initiated to reduce the confusion over the similar naming of the three distinct collections – the Digital Archive at Georgia State, the
Digital Collections and Special Collections and Archives. The conversion to the new site will be transparent to users; URL redirects from the old site to the new site are in place. There are over 7000 total items in the current collection with over 2 million downloads to date.

**PROQUEST Recommendation**: A recommendation was made that deposits of GSU electronic theses and dissertations in ProQuest be optional. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Joseph Hacker and seconded by Leslie Marsh. The vote passed to remove language from the mandate. Sean will notify ETD administrators in the colleges that ETD deposit in ProQuest is optional.

Next meeting: The next meeting will be scheduled for the second week of December. An email to the committee to solicit dates and times will be sent.