SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 10, 2018
Colloquium Room – LS8

Present:
Jeff Steely, Joseph Hacker, Anita Nucci, Brendan Calendar, Florian Enescu, Diane Belcher, Rick Clement, Pam Barr, Mourad Dakhli, Scott Jacques, Pat Carter, Lee Anne Richardson, Hal Weston, Kenneth Lodsett III, Kris Niedringhaus, Kiersten Nicholson, Pamela Lucas

The meeting began with a brief introduction of members.

Library updates

Personnel Changes – Recently filled positions include a Library Administrative Officer for the Sr. Leadership team, department head for User Services and Technology Support, a Quantitative Data Specialist, and Assistant Director of Development. The library administration team lost an Associate Dean, duties have been distributed so the position will not be filled at this time. An Associate Department Head for the Dunwoody campus was also filled. Searches for three reference librarian positions for the Perimeter libraries are coming to a close. Two additional searches will be launched; an Acquisitions Librarian and a Southern Labor Archivist.

Development – A Board of Advocates has been established to focus on development efforts. A number of library events for the fall have been scheduled. These include several series events. One series, Data in the ATL, brings in outside companies to discuss how they are using big data. Included are representatives from Coca-Cola, the Cartoon Network and Chick-fil-A. Another series, in collaboration with the Emeriti Association, is a faculty book talk series. This semester’s book talk is on redevelopment in Atlanta. This will be a panel discussion that will include faculty members Deirdre Oakley (Sociology/Urban Studies Institute), Tanya Washington (College of Law), Katherine Hankins (Geosciences/Urban Studies Institute), and Joseph Hacker (Public Management and Policy/Urban Studies Institute). Harvey K. Newman (Public Management and Policy) will moderate. Several research librarians have developed a series called Research in the Raw. This series is for faculty to share their in-process research. As part of a new library speaker series, we will host Randy Malamud from the English department at the Wren’s Nest. The library hosted a Faculty Pop-Up Club which was a mixer for faculty to network. It was successful and another will be planned for later in the year.

Preparation for renovation phase 1

The focus of phase one is the new entrance that comes off the greenway and a new student space. We may need to break this work down into smaller projects. Once completion of updates required for the additional storage space, located under T-Deck, has been reached, we can do smaller projects on floors 3-5 of Library South.

Progress towards off-site storage

We have obtained space located underneath T-Deck to move some lesser used library materials. It does not provide all outside storage needs, but can accommodate a great deal. The space requires some updating prior to moving materials.
Collection budget

The collection budget is approx. $5.3 m, with our total collection spending approximately $6.5 m. The majority of our budget is spent on e-resources. We are managing the shortfall with a cut to journal titles. The list of journals to be cut, effective January 2019, will be posted in late October.

Open Athens Authentication

The library will migrate from EZProxy, the current authentication tool, to Open Athens. This will use a single sign-on, and provide a clearer understanding of the use of resources.

The meeting concluded at 10:55 am