

Minutes University Library Committee

Date: March 24, 2009

Time: 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Location: Library Board Room

Chair: Robert Brown

Members Present: Eileen Hitchingham, Larry Freeman, Sachi Nekkanti, Renee Maisel, Philip Young, Sonal Mazumder, Justin Klein on behalf of Nakhiah Goulbourne, Louellen Sharp

Recorder: Cyndi Martin

Guests:

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the February 10, 2009, meeting were approved.

Library budget update

The Library is receiving much feedback regarding the serials cancellation and budget situation. Eileen mentioned that recently she spoke at the SGA meeting. Many concerns were expressed and the SGA plans to send a support document. Many emails have already been sent. CGS&P also voted to send a letter supporting this committee's concerns. Philip Young mentioned that at a recent COR meeting the commission approved a letter of support to be sent to President Steger and Dr. McNamee. Carolyn Meier said that CUSP will also be sending a letter.

Library fundraising campaign

The library is at 110% of its goal for 6 million. About half of this is real dollars. Two thirds is in the form of endowments and irrevocable outstanding pledges, which will be of benefit in future years.

Information desk and instruction surveys

The information desks are keeping data to determine where questions are being asked and which reference desk is receiving the highest number of questions. The data will be tracked over the spring term.

Torgersen desk hours for library

The library plans to close the Torgersen entry to Newman 5:00 and on weekends beginning with summer session.