

2009-10 Council on Libraries, Information Systems and Computing (LISC)  
Minutes  
April 5, 2010  
3:00 – 4:30 p.m.  
UNH105

Attendance: Gwendolyn Moore, (chair), Debra Dickerson (support staff), Christine Haile; Bruce Dudek; Larry Raffalovich; Karen Brown; Mary Casserly, Ed Waltz; Karen Brown, Carolyn Malloch; Janna Harton; Nancy Newman; Shadi Shahedipour Christian Olsen; Guest: Mark Wolfe.

I. Call to Order.

II. There were no minutes for the March 1 meeting. The Committee was given a tour of the newly renovated Husted building and the Dewey Library on the downtown campus. The February 1 minutes were tabled until the next LISC meeting on May 3, 2010.

III. Demonstration of new LUNA system

Mark Wolf, Curator of Digital Collections, University Libraries, gave a demonstration on the University Digital Imaging Database System (UDID). As a preamble, Mark noted that UDID was part of a Selective Investment approved by former President Hall and in collaboration with ITS and the University Library. Mark proceeded to demo the new Luna software purchased to capture and organize art collections, digital media, video, etc. Luna is a powerful teaching tool and will be used to provide access to digitized versions of University-owned materials, such as those in Special Collections and the Writers Institute. A discussion followed on the benefits of UDID and the expected funding resources after the five-year start-up costs are expended. The URL can be found at <http://lexington.univ.albany.edu/luna>. Luna demonstrations will be presented to faculty, staff and deans in the upcoming weeks. The committee thanked Mark for his informational demonstration. Gwen will be report this information to the Senate at their next meeting.

III. Report from Dean of Libraries, Mary Casserly

Mary reported planning for reductions for the libraries. The Provost is planning for the next two years using 5, 10, and 15% budget reduction scenarios.

The library is working EBSCOhost to develop a new discovery service that would feature a Google-like search interface that would search multiple types of resources simultaneously. ;

V. Report from the CIO, Christine Haile

Chris reported that ITS is in the process of talking with faculty and staff to evaluate the current email system, etc. Meg Fryling from Client Support Services is setting up the dates and times. The plan is to get around to as many faculty and staff as possible, evaluate the findings during the summer; and present these findings to the campus in the fall. There were several motivators that lead to this: (1) two servers run right now and we are looking at new alternatives such as outsourcing email and calendaring (2) Review of email and messaging assessment is due; (3) IT is under pressure to cut costs and maybe email is one way to do so. Chris would like to hold one town hall meeting on email and messaging. Chris recently held a “mini retreat” for the ITS Cabinet to kick off the 2010-11 Operating Plan. The ITS budget cut scenarios of 4% and 7% cuts are due to the President on May 5, 2010.

V. Report from IT Committee, Larry Raffalovich

Larry reported that the minutes of the February 19<sup>th</sup> IT Committee meeting will be included in the next meeting. The IT Committee will meet again on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

VI. Report from Library Committee – Shadi Shahedipour

Mary Casserly reported on behalf of the Chair, Shadi Shahedipour. The Library Committee met and they discussed open-access journals publication fees. Discussions are underway regarding the renovations to the University Library and architects are collecting data and developing a plan. However, we probably won't see actual building for another 5-10 years.

VII. New Business

VII. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.