

2009-10 Council on Libraries, Information Systems and Computing (LISC)
Minutes
May 3, 2010
3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
SS353B

Attendance: Debra Dickerson (support staff), Christine Haile; Bruce Dudek; Larry Raffalovich (acting Chair); Mary Casserly, Carolyn Malloch; Janna Harton; Nancy Newman; Shadi Shahedipour.

- I. Larry Raffalovich chaired the LISC meeting in Gwen's absence and called the meeting to order.
- II. The February and April minutes were unanimously approved.
- III. Report from Dean of Libraries, Mary Casserly

The Library is now open 24/5 and is very busy, but running smoothly.

The architects that are developing the renovation proposal for the library asked for additional input from the University community on how they foresee the libraries being used five years from now. The first meeting was held last week without the architects and the same group will meet again on May 25th with the architects. Nancy Newman reported that this was more of a "brainstorming" session on what an ideal vision of a library would be. Some of the ideas may pay off immediately. Shadi would like to have another Library Committee meeting to perhaps discuss some of the ideas.

In commemoration of its 10th anniversary, the University at Albany Science Library will host a lecture by Eric Block, the Carla Rizzo Delray Distinguished Professor in the University at Albany Department of Chemistry: Garlic and Other Alliums: The Lore and the Science. The lecture will take place on May 4th at 4:00 p.m. in the Standish Room. All are invited to attend.

IV. Report from the CIO, Christine Haile

Chris reported that ITS has begun the evaluations of the current email, calendaring and collaboration. Meg Fryling has met with several faculty. Chris would encourage the LISC members to contact the deans or Chris for a schedule of the meetings. The goal is to canvass the community for what features the faculty/staff place a high value on. Should we run the services locally or subscribe to an email service provider? These are some of the questions ITS hopes to get input on. ITS will be evaluating different products for feature and functionality, as well as the cost/benefits.

Chris also mentioned that System Administration is looking for input from the campuses on an Adobe campus license agreement, in which all SUNY faculty, staff and labs would have full access to all of the applications contained in the Adobe Creative Suite Master Collection. Chris agreed to forward the agreement to the Committee for review and comments.

Chris will be meeting with the Budget Advisory Group (BAG) on May 11th.

On Saturday, May 29th, Facilities Management will shut down power which will encompass ITS services, the Arts & Sciences and Fine Arts buildings. PeopleSoft will also be taken down that day.

V. Report from IT Committee, Larry Raffalovich

The IT Committee met on April 16, 2010. Recent IT problems, including SPSS license expiration and disruptions to 'Lincoln' and Webmail were discussed. The CIO agreed to organize an ad-hoc committee to review UA software acquisition and licensing, as well as obtaining inventories of software licensed by ITS, CAS, and other UA divisions. Briefly discussed was the feasibility of a University-wide software acquisition/licensing structure. This will be on the agenda of the ad-hoc committee. Also discussed was the feasibility of partitioning the UA website for open/restricted access for different audiences (e.g., moving all internal employment links to MyUAlbany).

VI. Report from Library Committee – Shadi Shahedipour

There was no report from the Library Committee. The next meeting is scheduled for the week of May 10th.

VII. Other Business

There has been a lot of interest in the LUNA software.

The LISC members and minutes of the meetings need to be transmitted to Gayle Cameron for input on the the University's Senate's Website. Mary Casserly agreed to let Gwen know.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.