

2010-11 Council on Libraries, Information Systems and Computing (LISC)
Minutes
April 11, 2011
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
AS-122

Attendance: Laura Schultz, Debra Dickerson (support staff), Christine Haile (Ex Officio); Mary Casserly (Ex Officio); Bruce Dudek; Ed Waltz; Michael Jaromin; Nancy Newman

I. Report from the Chair – Shadi Shahedipour

Laura Schultz reported on behalf of Shadi. The committee unanimously approved the minutes as corrected.

II. Report from Dean of Libraries, Mary Casserly

Mary reported that the Library is in the middle of the Libqual survey, which was sent to all faculty, staff and students and asked that the committee take a few moments to fill it out. It will help the Library out a great deal. Nancy Newman asked if there was a deadline for submittal. Mary said at the moment it was “open ended,” but will send out an email to the campus community with a closing date.

Mary will be attending a 3:00 p.m. meeting today (April 11) to view the draft of the architect’s concepts for the renovation of the University’s Library.

The Library was opened and staffed on Sunday, April 10 (suspended Fountain Day) and about 300 students visited the library, which is the usual number of students on a Sunday. The Library has extended hours and has been packed with students trying to do as much as they can before spring break.

III. Report from the CIO, Christine Haile

Chris spoke about the Blackboard upgrade from version 8 to 9. Teaching faculty will have BB9 available for courses; testing is available now. Version nine (9) will be available in the fall and both versions 8 and 9 will be running parallel until spring 2011 when all Blackboard courses will be in version 9. Chris asked that any questions be directed to Chris Moore in Client Support Services.

No date has been set for the implementation of *Live@Edu*.

IV. Report for the IT Committee, Michael Jaromin

No report.

V. Report from the Library Committee, Laura Schultz

Laura reported that a demo of LUNA (digital archiving) was presented at the last meeting of the Library Committee. The website is located at LUNA.albany.edu and she encouraged everyone to check it out. Laura will be scheduling another meeting of the Library Committee in the near future.

VI. Other Business

Mary Casserly asked whether the faculty would mind if they were put on a different schedule than the students for the returning of books. Currently, all books need to be returned by the end of the month (April). This makes for a lot of work to do at one time. The Committee agreed that a different timeframe would not adversely affect them, but asked that Mary look into changing the automatic messages they receive so it is more easily recognizable.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2011 in AS-122.