

2010-11 Council on Libraries, Information Systems and Computing (LISC)
Minutes
October 18, 2010
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
AS-122

Attendance: Debra Dickerson (support staff), Christine Haile (Ex Officio); Nancy Newman; Shadi Shahedipour-Sandvik; Mary Casserly (Ex Officio); Karen Brown; Laura Schultz; Brian Butcher; Ruth Scipione; Michael Jaromin; Gwen Moore; Ed Waltz; Bruce Dudek

I. Shadi Shahedipour-Sandvik called the meeting to order and the Committee proceeded to introduce themselves as many were new to LISC.

II. Shadi made a motion to approve the May 3, 2010 LISC minutes. Seconded by Mary Casserly.

III. Membership of the Library and IT Committees

Charter and By-laws are located on the University's Senate Website. Shadi asked the committee member for volunteers for each committee and recommendations for a chair. The Library Committee members from LISC are: Laura Schultz, chair; Ruth Scipione; Bruce Dudek; Gwen Moore and Nancy Newman. The IT Committee members are: Michael Jaromin, Chair; Bruce Dudek; Ed Waltz, Karen Brown and Brian Butcher. The two chairs will set up their own meetings and report back to LISC. Each committee should identify a couple topics that would make an impact and push it forward.

IV. Report from Dean of Libraries, Mary Casserly

Mary reported that October 18-24, 2010 is Open Access Week, a discussion on the need for barrier-free access to scholarship. Tim Stephen, Gerry Zahavi, and Rachel Dressler will be on the panel on Thursday, October 21, at 4:00 p.m. in the Cobb Room, University Library. Faculty, staff and graduate students should be considered to attend. Mary also updated the Committee on the renovations of the Library. The architects have been working for a year to draw up the concept and plans. They are hoping to present a plan by early December.

V. Report from the CIO, Christine Haile

ITS is planning an upgrade to Blackboard v9 for 2011. A test version will be available in the spring 2011 semester and ITS seeks faculty to volunteer to take a look at it. For Fall 2011, ITS will run both the outgoing vCE8 and the new v9. All courses will be moved to v9 for the Spring 2012 semester.

Academic Affairs, Finance & Business, and ITS have begun an initiative to improve data reporting and analysis tools. Often known as "business intelligence" the goal is to provide better information to support program and resource

planning. Key stakeholders include Senior staff, Deans and department chairs. The project team includes members of ITS, Institutional Research, CAS and the Budget Office.

The draft strategic plan places a high value on IT infrastructure and services to support the campus goals. In addition, the current fiscal environment requires all of us to identify efficiencies and increase collaboration. ITS, in conjunction with CAS and the Library, have formed a team to review IT services and find a way to work more collaboratively and efficiently to deliver support and customer services to the campus.

Red Dot, the campus's web content management software, in the process of being upgraded to v10.

Nancy Newman mentioned the change in the turn-around time with the test-scoring services run by ITS. Chris explained that due to staff retirements and budget cuts, turn-around times may be longer than in the past. Most are returned within 24 hours. During mid-terms and finals, extra staff will be assigned to cover the workload. Alternatives to the test-scoring process will be re-examined in the future, since we do not expect to return to the prior service-levels.

Bruce Dudek remarked that the classrooms have reached a milestone in that there all classrooms with more than 31 seats now have fixed technology. This shows great progress with technology in the classrooms and shouldn't be left unnoticed or unrecognized. Chris offered to schedule a tour for the LISC members of the newly renovated Lecture Center 3 at a future date.

VI. Other Business

An email was received from a student proposing a policy that Shadi will forward to Mike as the newly appointed chair of the IT Committee to follow up. Shadi also recommended to the committee that they send a paragraph or two back to their departments briefly summarizing each LISC meeting.

The scheduled January 17th, 2011 LISC meeting will be cancelled and all other LISC meetings will begin at 1:00 p.m. rather than 1:30 p.m. to accommodate everyone's schedules.

There being no further business, Shadi motioned to adjourn at 2:30 p.m.