

## Minutes of 14 July Steering Committee meeting

Participants: A.Bloss, M.Case, N.Bangalore, B.Daugherty (minutes), J.Dorsch, J.Hurd, S.Jacobson, N.John, B.Jones, J.Lambrech, G.Lagana, B.Malinowsky, L.Naru, V.Pifalo, E.Schellhause, J.Shuler, E.Starkman, A.Weller

Minutes of the 2 June meeting were approved; Bloss will forward to ULIB.

Introductions: Mary Case, Univ. Libn; Ellen Schellhause, Health Sciences Libn, Rockford; Jessica Canlas, Assistant to the Univ. Libn.

1. Library response to IBHE's "Illinois Commitment." Some additions and changes were suggested to this documentation of 'productivity.' Further emendations to JessicaC@uic.edu by 15 July, mid-day. See <http://www.ibhe.org/Board/Agendas/1999/February/1999-02-07.pdf>
2. Review of "Interdepartmental Accomplishments, 2002-2004. It was observed that this list demonstrates, in the face of our shrinking 'base,' a great commitment to 'outreach' that reflects our long-time approach of 'creativity in the face of adversity.' The nature of the Federal Priorities Task Force was clarified. Aspirations for an EBM center/library/services, especially for pediatrics, remain on hold since we lack resources to accomplish it. Facilities improvements might be added. When finished, the list should be shared widely with library staff.
3. Library Strategic thinking process. A Task Force will be activated to develop a library component(s) appropriate for the University's UI 2010 plan. The process should be open and inclusive, reaching out not only to staff but also to non-library faculty, donors, etc. The final report should accomplishments as well as barriers. That UIC Library is in a unique urban setting but with a broad geographic distribution may be a key element to be reflected.
4. University Librarian's comments
  - 4.1 M.Case indicated she would be meeting with individual departments during the next few weeks. She distributed a list of questions that would guide discussion in those meetings, which would be followed by meetings with individual department heads. Over the coming year, she plans to meet with each library staff member.
  - 4.2 Personnel:
    - 4.2.1 J.Lambrech will be the AUL for Operations; N.John, AUL for

## Strategic Development and Technology.

4.2.2 Current interim positions to be posted and filled include Catalog Librarian, Manager of Library Systems, and, later in the year, Director of Administrative Services.

4.2.3 New appointments in concluding negotiations include Reference Librarian (Daley) and Access Services Librarian (LHS). They are expected to start at the beginning of August.

### 4.3 Budget

4.3.1 There is still no budget.

4.3.2 The student budget is expected to remain the same.

4.3.3 Professional Development budget is expected to remain the same.

4.4 Plans are underway for a new Advanced Chemical Technology Building (ACTB) that may be completed in 2008. Units moving to ACTB from SEL may vacate space that could be used for Science Library. At the same time, we will want to think more broadly about the role and nature of a Sci.Lib., what collections and services would be offered in the face of declining staff and increasing remote access.

4.5 In the light of changes in the union contract, the Library is trying to work out ways that the schedule flexibility long enjoyed by staff might continue.

4.6 Organizational changes in the College of Medicine under discussion may have implications for Library-Hospital ties.

4.7 April 2005 is the 50th anniversary of the inauguration of Richard J. Daley. There may be implications for the Library.

4.8 Photographic Services, formerly part of Publication Services, will be moving to the Library along with its film and digital archives. This will be effective at the beginning of August.

### 5. Electronic Collections Quadrant (ECQ) quarterly report.

Convener J.Hurd distributed a printed report that noted status of the ERes Task Force; accomplishments with qUICsearch, SerialSolutions, and Reference linking; BlackBoard implementation; and, pending concerns.

6. Future meetings, 9-10:45, 1-360 LIB (or 312.413.2001), are scheduled for 4 and 25 August.

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