

PSAC Minutes of August 26, 2008

Present: Dorsch (phone), Kayiwa, Logan, Schellhause (phone), Scherrer (minutes)

Guests: Bob Daugherty, Tim Klassen

1. To help measure the impact of the Library/It student assessment fee these steps were proposed and accepted:
 - a. A count will be taken of the number of working computers at each library this week to compare this to the number after new computers are installed
 - b. Bob Daugherty will collect usage statistics for September
 - c. A duplicate copy of the satisfaction survey administered in Spring 2007 will be administered during the 3rd week of September and again after new computer are installed
 - d. Focus group interviews to measure satisfaction/solicit ideas for future spending will be considered later in the school year
2. VuFind – PSAC recommends that UIC implement as soon as possible. Fifi will forward these suggestions for changing and improving the product:
 - When searching Universal catalog - dept
 1. Different results when do I-Share search using Voyager and VuFind
 2. Author search: alphabetizes first name
 3. Cache messes results of searches
 4. Must select request provider – schools are entered alphabetically – so some will be inundated?
 5. Facets on the right too crowded because of list of schools
 - When searching UIC
 1. Looks much better – sparer, see the facets more clearly
 2. When sort by date, sometimes material type trumps newest
 3. Love that the color red is used when something is unavailable
 4. Like that we have format and genre – who decides?
 5. Like that manuscript is a format – easy way to find theses and dissertations – how are these mapped?
 6. There is no easy way to link out to I-Share for items that are checked out, as there is currently in Voyager
 7. When requesting – what is my username and password in Voyager?!
 8. In the titles view, temporary locations (Reserves for example) display. However when users click down to the individual item record, the permanent location appears.
 9. Table of contents not terribly legible
 10. Cite this – only two formats – better than nothing
 11. Subject search is suspect – search for dwelling, and get subject that could mean the same.
 12. Search by location?
3. PSAC voted to abide by the QP Admin recommendation to drop Pidgin but to retain QP Chat until Rockford is able to stabilize their filter problems.

4. WOC membership recommendations: Kim Pendell as chair, Bob Sandusky, Peter Hepburn, Tim Klassen, Beth Pickard, Valerie Harris, Linda Naru, Peg Burnette. Francis Kayiwa, Krystal Lewis and Sara Blaszczyk will serve as consultants whenever necessary.

5. List of 5 priorities to be accomplished by WOC will be forwarded to Kim Pendell with a timetable to be determined by her. List of priorities:
- Search: library web site
 - Borrow and Renew
 - Workshops and Instruction
 - Libraries and Hours
 - Contact Us

Kim Pendell will be invited to attend the next PSAC meeting scheduled for September 3, 2008 at 11 AM

Meeting adjourned at 4:10PM.