LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING
November 8, 2013 12:00-1:00pm
Amarillo Library Conference Rm. (2nd Floor)

Present:  
Jeanie Jaramillo, PharmD (Faculty Representative, SOP)
Jody Wilkinson, MD (Faculty Representative, SOAH)
Kishore Yalamanchili, MD (Faculty Representative, SOM)
Ellen Hubbell (Student Representative, SOM)
Sameera Siddiqi (Student Representative, SOM)

Absent:  
Brigitte Doughty (Student Representative, SOAH)
Evan Jones (Student Representative, SOAH)
Titus Rajan (Student Representative, SOP)
Vacant (Student Representative, SOP)

Guests:  
Cheryl Simonsen, MLIS (Library Associate Director)
Terri Wilson, MS (Assistant Director, Library Liaison to SOAH and SOP)
Yumi Yaguchi, MSIS (Assistant Director, Library Liaison to SOM)

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 pm.

The minutes of the April 22, 2013 Library Committee Meeting were approved by acclamation.

Terri reported on general library news. Our orientations this summer reached 275 new students, residents, and faculty. We revamped our Biomedical Information Management class for the 2013-2014 school year. We have a record 29 students enrolled in the class this year. Our budget continues to be flat with the possibility of the Libraries having a shortfall later in the academic year. In October Yumi attended the annual meeting of the South Central Chapter of the Medical Library Association and the annual meeting of the Texas Chapter of the Special Libraries Association. Cheryl will be attending the Gender-Specific Medicine & Women's Health Symposium in Lubbock in November.

Cheryl reported on Outreach activities. On September 16 we took the Library Exhibit to the Tri-State Fair for the Senior Citizen's Day Health Fair and Program. We spoke with 150 people and had a number of others stop by for handouts. On September 20 Cheryl did a class for the PEARL Conference here in Amarillo. PEARL stands for Promoting and Enhancing The Advancement of Rural Libraries and is administered out of the Library School at the University of North Texas. The class focused on the databases from the National Network of Libraries that can be used by consumers to obtain valid health and resource information. There were 6 attendees from area county libraries and two attendees from the PEARL program administration. On October 1 Terri and Yumi took the Library Exhibit to the WOW Health Fair held at the School of Medicine. They had 32 attendees. On October 13 Terri and Yumi took the Library Exhibit to St. Thomas the Apostle Church for their annual health fair. They spoke with 61 attendees and had a number of others stop by for handouts. We offered training to a couple of our contractors, but weren't able to schedule a training. If the Senior Health Fair is held in
Canyon in April we plan to exhibit there. When and if the Community Medical School is held again, we will also exhibit at each session.

Yumi reported on the monthly library promotions. Since our last meeting, we did not have any promotions in May, June, July, or August. We promoted Gold Rush in September. Due to many librarians attending the SCC/MLA conference in October, we did not have a promotion that month. In November we will be promoting GIDEON. We continue to promote these resources via the "Amarillo All" mass email and in The Beat. We emphasize during these promotions that we are happy to come to offices, classrooms, and clinics for database demo/instruction.

After some discussion, Dr. Yalamanchili volunteered to be the new chair of the Library Committee. This was approved by acclamation.

The floor was then opened to questions and discussion. Dr. Jaramillo gave an update on the TurnItIn subscription. It is still not getting a lot of usage across the campuses. Because it was purchased to be integrated with Sakai, you cannot utilize the subscription unless you're on a course in Sakai. Dr. Jaramillo also reported that Northwest Texas Hospital terminated the contract for the Poison Control Center. The Poison Control Center will be moving into the DIC in the old School of Pharmacy building. There was a general discussion of how students utilize the library. Dr. Yalamanchili asked the student representatives what students are reading now and what they are researching. The student representatives said that research is dependent on the student. If a student has a personal interest in doing research, then he/she takes it upon themselves to use research databases, journals, and books. Most students, however, are more focused on their work in clinic and tend to use point-of-care resources such as UpToDate.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:51pm.