

# LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING

**April 17, 2012 12:00-1:00pm**

**Amarillo Library Conference Rm. (2nd Floor)**

- Present:** Jody Wilkinson, MD (Faculty Representative, SOAH)  
Lindsey Gaidousek (Student Representative, SOM)
- Absent:** Jeanie Jaramillo, PharmD (Faculty Representative, SOP)  
Kishore Yalamanchili, MD (Faculty Representative, SOM)  
Whitney Murphy (Student Representative, SOAH)
- Guests:** Cheryl Simonsen, MLIS (Library Associate Director)  
Terri Wilson, MS (Assistant Director, Library Liaison to SOAH and SOP)

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m.

The minutes of the November 16, 2011 Library Committee Meeting were approved by acclamation.

Terri reported on general library news. We are still unable to purchase books. The only big cancellation that we have had is the cancellation of the Natural Comprehensive Medicines Database. However, we still have Natural Standard for alternative medicine information. The first floor of our building is in the middle of a floor renovation. Work stopped about a week ago, and we are waiting to hear when it will resume. **[UPDATE: Work resumed April 20.]**

Cheryl reported on our outreach activities since our last meeting which included the last two Community Medical School sessions in January and February. In January we made 17 contacts at the Community Medical School session and in February we made 21 contacts. We also exhibited at the Canyon Senior Health Fair on April 5th at the Cole Community Center at which we had 42 contacts. We did 9 outreach exhibits in the 2011-2012 year. Our new Outreach Year begins in May. In addition to the organizations where we usually exhibit, we are considering including outreach to the refugee community, as well as offering on-site training to some of our contract organizations.

Cheryl also reported on our monthly database promotions since our last meeting which included PubMed in December, which was held in the library and was promoted by flyers and via the Announcements webpage, as usual. In February we promoted Epocrates. We had an Amarillo-All email sent out a few days ahead of the promotion, in addition to the flyers and posting a notice on the Announcements webpage. We had about 4 people attend that promotion. In March for our Gold Rush promotion we again had the Amarillo-All email sent out in addition to the posting on the Announcements webpage and flyers. For this promotion we set up the session at the SOM from 9 AM to 11 AM. No one came to that, but one resident did drop by the library. In April we plan to promote Pepid on Thursday the 26th from 4 PM to 5 PM at both the SOM and the SOP. We are hoping to have more attendance by going to both buildings. We plan to try this approach for several more promotions. If attendance does not increase, we will begin

looking at other options. Suggestions from the committee included setting up a table at Grand Rounds to give out library information, or even to have a Library Ground Rounds at some point. Dr. Khandheria is in charge of Grand Rounds. It was suggested that students often don't see the Amarillo-All emails and that we might send our announcements to Pam or Kelly to email to the students specifically.

The floor was then opened to questions and discussion. The librarians asked the committee members how they were chosen for the Library Committee, as we will need to replace the student representatives next year. In the School of Medicine, Kristin emailed previous senators during the July orientation and asked who would be interested in serving on various committees. In the School of Allied Health, both the faculty and student representatives are recruited informally, with the chair of the department asking people if they would be interested in serving.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:26p.m.