

LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING

April 26, 2016 12:00-1:00pm

Amarillo Library Conference Rm. (2nd Floor)

Present: Misty Miller, DPT (Faculty Representative, SHP)

Absent: Jeanie Jaramillo, PharmD (Faculty Representative, SOP)
Kishore Yalamanchili, MD (Faculty Representative, SOM) (arrived late)
Ashlyn Choate (Student Representative, SHP)
Regan Lemley (Student Representative, SOM)
Carmen Ponce (Student Representative, SOP)
Sameer Saifuddin (Student Representative, SOP)
Arjun Sehgal (Student Representative, SOM)
Emily Waye (Student Representative, SHP)

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 12:05pm and a quorum was not reached.

Terri reported on general library news. We have been very busy this semester with the Libraries' 4th year elective class, Biomedical Information Management. We had a very full schedule to begin with and picked up several last minute enrollees as well. We replaced our scanner and have pushed through software upgrades to try to bring our public use computers up to speed on the latest versions of our standard software. The Libraries' website will undergo a redesign in May. We are currently running a survey to get feedback on the current website design. There is a drawing for a Starbucks gift card for survey participants. Dr. Richard Nollan from the University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center is the finalist candidate for the Libraries' Executive Director position. He is in Lubbock right now for the second time this semester.

Cheryl reported on outreach activities. The National Library of Medicine has officially awarded the eight Regional Medical Libraries for the 2016 - 2021 cycle. The Lewis Library at the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth has been designated as the host of the RML for the South Central Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine. They officially begin on May 1st, so we have not received any guidance at this point in time as to the direction we need to take with our outreach activities. Terri and Yumi took the library exhibit to the WOW! Health Fair at the School of Medicine on April 19th. They spoke with 30 attendees and gave out literature on MedlinePlus, the consumer database from the National Library of Medicine. They also had a handout on dealing with stress, as the Health Fair's theme was Stress Management and Financial Fitness. Cheryl made a presentation on April 25th to the Amarillo Public Health Department personnel on Public Health Information Resources. There were 12 in attendance. The Emergency Preparedness Conference we planned to attend this spring was moved to September this year, so we will exhibit with them in the fall if our plans fit into the requirements of the new RML outreach contract.

Yumi reported on monthly library promotions. We did not have promotions in December or January. In February we promoted Dynamed. In March we promoted Multimedia. In April we promoted Patient Education. There will not be promotions in May, June, July, or August. As always, we took out a one-page ad in The Beat for each promotion this semester. We did not receive any requests for demos or more information after these promotions.

The floor was then opened to questions and discussion. In the Library Committee's bylaws, it is stated that the Chair of the Committee is "elected by majority vote ... for a term of two (2) years." As Dr. Yalamanchili's two years ended in November 2015, it is time for a new Chair. Since we did not have a quorum in this meeting, Terri will contact the eligible committee members by email to find out who is willing to submit their name for voting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20pm.