

LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 11, 2015 12:00-1:00pm

Amarillo Library Conference Rm. (2nd Floor)

- Present:** Kishore Yalamanchili, MD (Faculty Representative, SOM)
Jeanie Jaramillo, PharmD (Faculty Representative, SOP)
Misty Miller, MD (Faculty Representative, SHP)
- Absent:** 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 12:04pm.

The minutes of the April 21, 2015 Library Committee Meeting were approved by acclamation.

Terri reported on general library news. June through September was busy with orientations for new students, grad students, residents, and faculty. November and December will be very busy with students for our 4th year elective class, Biomedical Information Management. The El Paso library is finally live with its own website and its own version of Koha and Gold Rush. You should no longer see any El Paso holdings in a search of our books or journals. Our new Executive Director of Libraries, Rick Fought, will start on January 4, 2016. **UPDATE: Since this meeting, Mr. Fought has withdrawn his name from consideration for Executive Director of Libraries of TTUHSC.** New resources since our last meeting: The return of the Nature journals, Board Vitals (a test review resource for the USMLEs and NCLEX-RN), and the Bates Visual Guide to Physical Examination. Dr. Jaramillo expressed an interest in knowing what the cost would be of adding NAPLEX to Board Vitals. Pharmacy might be interested in using some of their Drug Information Student Fee fund to help the library add the NAPLEX to the Board Vitals subscription. We have been having issues with hard drive failures in staff and public computers. Hopefully, we will only have to replace hard drives and not computers. We are currently having a book sale with quite a large selection of donated books.

Cheryl reported on outreach activities. Since our last meeting, we have done two community outreach activities. On September 21st we took the library exhibit to the Senior Health Fair at the Tri-State Fair. We spoke with 146 attendees and gave out additional promotional materials on MedlinePlus and the Senior Health section of MedlinePlus. We also exhibited at St. Thomas the Apostle Church for their Family Health Fair on October 11th. We spoke with 21 adults. We will be re-assessing our participation in this event as the level of adult participation was very low this

year. In July we started attending the twice monthly New Employee Orientations to introduce the library and library services/resources to our new employees. We hope to exhibit at an Emergency Management Conference in the spring. We have no further information at this point about the contract for the Regional Outreach Program or any changes that may need to be made in our outreach planning for next year.

Yumi reported on monthly library promotions. We did not have a promotion in August. In September we promoted Gold Rush. In October we promoted Clinical Key. In November we promoted e-Books. There will not be a promotion in December. As always, we took out a one-page ad in The Beat for each promotion. We did not receive any requests for demos or more information after these promotions.

The floor was then opened to questions and discussion. Terri noted that in the minutes for the June 2, 2015 Faculty Council Executive Committee meeting, someone stated that there was no Library Committee on the Amarillo campus. We discussed what would be the best way to raise the profile of the Library Committee so that all faculty, staff, and students were aware of whom they could contact with questions and suggestions for the Library. The question was asked about what the FCEC was discussing in regard to Library Committees. From the FCEC meeting minutes it appeared that faculty members wanted to propose that the Libraries subscribe to UpToDate. It was suggested that since the Libraries do not subscribe to UpToDate and repeatedly fields these requests every year, that the TTUHSC Libraries could issue a position statement with the reasons why and post the statement in a prominent place on the website.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:51pm.