



## MINUTES OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING

*October 10, 2008*

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Lois Stickley, PhD

### **In attendance**

Lois Stickley, Ph.D, School of Allied Health  
Brent Wiles, Student Representative, SOP  
Steven Solis, Student Representative, SOM  
Dana Neeley, MLS, MBA, AHIP  
Jan Rice, MALS, AHIP  
Cheryl Simonsen, MLIS

The minutes of the February 15, 2008, Amarillo Library Committee meeting were approved by Brent Wiles and seconded by Lois Stickley.

### **New Business**

- Dana Neeley introduced Cheryl Simonsen the library's new Assistant Director. She began work on Monday (10/6/08) and will be the liaison librarian for the School of Pharmacy.
- Ms. Neeley discussed the recent outreach activities. Ms. Neeley taught two short classes to the new parish nurses in the area. The March class had 24 attendees and the July class had 11 attendees. Both classes focused on PubMed and MedlinePlus. Ms. Neeley also exhibited at two health fairs. The first one was held at Polk Street United Methodist Church and had 36 attendees. The second exhibit was held at the Amarillo Senior Citizens Center in May and had 89 attendees. Both of these exhibits targeted senior citizens and focused on MedlinePlus and NIH Senior Health databases. Also in May, Lisa Berry and Dana Neeley exhibited at a Wal-Mart Speaking of Women's Health event. MedlinePlus was promoted and information was given to 169 individuals. In June, Ms. Berry and Ms. Neeley taught a MedlinePlus and NIH Senior Health class to the Amarillo College Retired Employees Association. Earlier this month, Jan Rice and Dana Neeley exhibited at the first Amarillo Community Medical School event. Several of the NLM databases were promoted and there were 31 visitors to the booth.



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- Ms. Rice discussed the library promotions for the fall. The promotions occur monthly and have included or will include the databases available from the library website. In September, CINAHL Plus was the database that was highlighted. Library 2.0 will be featured later this month and will focus on RSS feeds and podcasts of interest to health professionals. Future months will include PDA Resources and Tests in Print. Dr. Stickley suggested the promotions run for two days, instead of one. Ms. Rice mentioned the possibility of hosting the promotion at the SOP or SOM building.
- Ms. Rice discussed the library's involvement in the upcoming AAMC (American Association of Medical Colleges) meeting in November. The library will have two exhibits at the meeting. The first one will focus on the library's involvement with the EBM OSCE examinations. The TTUHSC Libraries are heavily involved in teaching Evidence Based Medicine to the medical students. Each of the three libraries has a different method of participation in the OSCE process. This exhibit will highlight these differences. The second exhibit will focus on the outreach provided by the Resource Libraries in Texas.
- Ms. Neeley stated that the TTUHSC Library System received an additional \$250,000 for their resource budget this year. Another \$250,000 is anticipated for next year. This will allow the Amarillo Library to buy more books and to bind print journals. In addition, a few new journals may be added. This additional money was needed to offset the inflation problem with library materials.
- Ms. Rice discussed the Library's involvement with the LCME Self-Study. Richard Wood and Jan Rice were both representatives to the Committee on Educational Resources. The report focused on classroom space, library space, resources, hours, etc. This report may be used to suggest changes. One finding that stood out was the lack of enough study space.
- Dr. Stickley mentioned their accreditation team is scheduled to arrive the second week of November. Most of the library issues will be handled in Lubbock. The team will only be in Amarillo for one day.



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### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be in January. The date will be set in the near future.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 pm.