LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

October 3, 2011 – Rare Books Room

In Attendance:

Barbara Ballew - PSL Dawn Kruse - PSL Paul Landers - PSL Jane Colmer-Hamood – SOM Stephanie Filleur - SOM Roger James - SOAH Nathan Rice – Office of Development Ali Roghani - SOM Stephanie Shippey - PSL Candia Thew - PSL Margaret Vugrin - PSL Richard Wood - PSL Rial Rolfe - Academic Services Carrie Gassett - PSL Dawn Kruse - PSL Margaret Vugrin - PSL Peggy Edwards - PSL Tara Allison - PSL Ashlev Dandsor - Student

Meeting was called to order by Ali Roghani at 3:00 PM. There was no quorum.

Old Business:

Paul demonstrated the features of Koha, our new online catalog system in which is interfaced with the student/employee eRaider system, and includes the ability for patrons to renew their own books online, and the ability to place holds online.

Richard spoke about TTUHSC's current library endowment accounts (LBK & ELP), and passed out financial reports that reflected a detail breakdown as well. The internal budget is stable and student workers' reduction in hours is still in place. However, the library is remaining open the same number of hours.

Discussions:

Richard shared the details of his visit with Dr. Larry Montgomery. Dr. Montgomery has not only given us over \$300,000 worth of art collections, cash donations of \$20,000, and also this month gave another \$10,000 cash donation to purchase rare books. The Development office is currently looking into a naming opportunity for the Rare Books room involving Dr. Montgomery.

Richard shared how the Legislative budget cuts had severely and negatively impacted the available funds to spend on TexShare Academic Databases. He's been selected to serve with ten other Texas library directors on the Committee formed and given the task of implementing the slashed budget from the original 7 million, now down to 2 million.

Richard announced that a replacement has been selected for Senior Director of Technical Services. Andrew Escude begins this week serving in this capacity and replaces JoAnn Van Schaik. Andrew comes to us with extensive law library and academic library experience in the technical fields.

Richard announced El Paso campus is discussing plans for eventual separation from the TTUHSC.

New Databases added to the Library: Reaxys, Epocrates, and PEPID.

Lubbock TTUHSC Libraries will host the 2012 SCC/MLA meeting and local committees are currently utilizing the "armadillo" theme to publicize the event which is scheduled to be held at the Overton Hotel.

New Business:

All new business tabled until next month at which time a quorum will hopefully be achieved.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.