

PSL LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2019

Rare Books Conference Room

In Attendance (Committee/Voting Members)

Dr. Wade Redman

Molly Toon

Luis Cuello

Christy Weaver

Dr. Wade Redman called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM and a quorum was reached. The previous minutes 06-10-2019 were approved online; the minutes have been posted on the Library's website.

Old Business:

ADA Accessibility will continue to be a topic throughout the university. One of the coordinators from TTU Campus came to TTUHSC and gave a presentation regarding ADA Accessibility. There are various tools for site validation and tools available online. TTU welcomes comments on how to improve the site's accessibility for users with disabilities.

A team of the PSL participated in an event. The event took place at the Ronald McDonald; together we made a ready-to-cook enchilada meal, to the families currently residing at the Ronald McDonald House. Each of these families traveled to Lubbock to be near their hospitalized child. Those families can be close to their little one and not have to worry about a place to stay or meals. As we made the ready-to-cook meal, our team got to bond and have a teambuilding experience. The library was mentioned on TTUHSC Statline TV.

The weeding project is still an on-going process on the third floor, 74,400 monographs and over 54,700 journals were removed.

During the end of year, books were balanced and accounts were closed making sure everything went through ok. The board of region approved the budget for the Health Science Center.

New Business:

Dr. Nollan mentioned the library offers some products. The first product is LibKeys which helps make it easier using PubMed to download articles. The second product that is in the process of licensing is Covidence; the program is designed to improve systematic review tools and processes. Gives a featured version of Covidence and help import data from different databases. There will be some training on Covidence to help understand the product.

There are two wireless displays and both are located in two study rooms by the Rare Books Room. The wireless displays will be useful to students who have a wireless device for example a phone, tablet or laptop, to review slideshows and videos in a small group setting. These displays will also be available on the libraries reservation page.

The University of California has been out of contract with Elsevier. For several months both parties failed to reach agreement on a new bundled journal, subscription deal. The University of California had been seeking a new kind of deal that would reduce costs that include fees for publishing open-access articles. California lost access to new articles in the publishing Elsevier's journals. Texas Consortium of Libraries is in the process of negotiating with vendors and with Elsevier. Dr. Nollan will be attending the next meeting to gather more information.

Regarding the open access, Dr. Nollan and Margaret Burnett met with the council of deans. To discuss about a series of lectures to all of the schools about open access. The idea is that the cost from publishing is shifting from publishers to authors.

Dr. Nollan and Wade Redman had their first meeting with the Council of Distinguished Educators on August 5th. They both participated in promoting Education at the Health Science Center. The President attended to promote his charge to the committee. There was several discussions on how to support and help Education grow with TTUHSC institution. There will be more meetings coming ahead.

Discussion: None

Meeting adjourned at 3:45

Next Meeting: October 21, 2019