

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER
LIBRARIES OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES

TTUHSC Libraries Meeting (LBK, AMA, ODE, ELP)
Thursday, August 10, 2023
10:00 AM on [Zoom](#)

In attendance:

Lisa Beinhoff
Margaret Burnett
Peggy Edwards
Andrew Escude, Chair
Amy Faltinek
Shannon Harris
Stephanie Shippey
Katherine Stapes
Dan Stuart
John Swearingen
Terri Wilson

- Introduction and Welcome (Andrew)
- Approval of minutes (Andrew)- Terri motions to approve. Kat seconds motion. Minutes are approved.
- Director
 - Executive Director of Libraries position- No news
 - New employee starting in Patron Services. Noah Smith will be starting on the 16th.
 - We got news that it's okay to fill Margaret Vugrin's position, so we'll be moving ahead with that.
 - The end of the fiscal year will be here in a few weeks. The Board of Regents is meeting today and tomorrow to finalize the new budget, and if they do, those of you who are eligible will receive a notice of pay increase on September 1st.
 - Andrew has an eLearning task force meeting at noon today. He has also been busy trying to help them find a new Executive Director for the Sim Center. They've got a really good candidate.

- New Items
 - Lisa asked if we've heard anything about the Elsevier renewal for next year for ScienceDirect. Andrew said he hasn't heard anything but suggested asking the consortium.
- Committees
 - Trends (Daniel)- nothing to report
 - Scholarly Communications (Burnett) - nothing to report
 - Evidence Synthesis Committee (Peggy)- See attachment
- El Paso (Lisa) - Two Specialist II's have moved up to be Specialist IV's, so we are hiring to fill the Specialist II positions. We were not successful hiring a Deputy Director. We had 6 failed searches. I am now reworking the position to be a Head of Technical Services, which is a lower level position, so we will probably be hiring for a Head of Technical Services.
- Discussion
 - Peggy asked if we are going to be able to replace the color printer for Reference. Andrew said we're in the process of doing that now.
 - Paul and Patrick are both out today and tomorrow, so contact IT downstairs if you have IT problems
 - Kat: She is part of basic science caucus with MLA, and they're going to be putting together a panel on teaching rigor and reproducibility in medicine. There's a paper for one of the panelists if anyone wants Kat to send it to them. If anyone has any ideas or questions for the panel, please send Kat an email.
- Questions/Closure

Library Faculty Meeting 08-10-2023 - Evidence Synthesis Committee Report

Evidence Synthesis Committee

Members are: Stephanie Shippey, Amy Faltinek, Margaret Burnett, Kat Stapes, Dan Stuart, Travis Real, and Peggy Edwards, chair

Dan has nine current reviews ongoing, four in SOM, four in SHP, and one in SON. This month he has done lit searches and iterations for three of the SOM teams and two of the SHP teams. Departments include Surgery and Emergency Medicine as well as Psychiatry. In SHP, these include Healthcare Management and Addiction Science as well as Audiology. He has also worked on records management and full-text uploads with the three other teams, including one in SHP-Physical Therapy. He has begun doing data extraction with some of the teams as well although this is slow going.

John is reading “Principles and Practices of Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analysis” and “Systematic Approaches to a Successful Literature Review.” He has met with Drs. Mata and Malik, who are part of the Gonzalez-Reyes team, to discuss their teams research on a Systematic Review.

Kat has created some infographics illustrating steps to be used in the conducting and reporting of 12 different synthesis methods. They have been added to the Research Framework LibGuide.

I have completed the spreadsheet data for Schoen Kruse and submitted it to him. Thank-you to everyone who helped me with it. We have been given permission to replace the position vacated by Margaret Vugrin. Yay!

I have downloaded a free copy of AirTable and am thinking about ways we can use it to track data.

I have 4 ongoing reviews, 1 new request, and a traditional review that I am working on. I sent a large amount of articles to the Cam Mecham team before his trauma conference in Tokyo that is occurring this week. His team will be working on a manuscript submission when they come back.

I have created a template for a first team meeting agenda which I emailed to John before his meeting with the Gonzalez-Reyes team that I will be emailing out to the Evidence Synthesis Committee team members.

Submitted August 10, 2023

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