

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER
LIBRARIES OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES

TTUHSC Libraries Meeting (LBK, AMA, ODE, ELP)
Thursday, March 9, 2023
10:00 AM on [Zoom](#)

In attendance:

Tara Allison	Melissa Morrow
Lisa Beinhoff	Cynthia Sanchez
Skyla Bryant	Stephanie Shippey
Margaret Burnett	John Swearingen
Patrick Davis	Erik Wilkinson
Peggy Edwards	Terri Wilson
Andrew Escude, Chair	Kaylee Youngblood
Amy Faltinek	

- Introduction and Welcome (Andrew)
- Approval of minutes (Andrew)- Peggy motions to approve; Lisa seconds the motion. They are approved.
- Director
 - Andrew has been out for the past week at a conference and vacation.
 - No news about the library renovation or the search for an Executive Director.
 - The Provost's office is currently looking for a Vice Provost of Institutional Effectiveness.
 - Erik will be on vacation next week.
 - Daylight Savings Time changes this weekend.
 - We are off March 17th for the Spring Holiday.
 - Introduction of John Swearingen, new Assistant Library Director in Odessa. Came from the University of Louisiana- Monroe, where he was for four years as a Reference and Instruction Librarian.
- Committees
 - Trends (Daniel)- nothing to report
 - Scholarly Communications (Burnett) - nothing to report
 - Evidence Synthesis Committee (Peggy) - See attachment
 - Andrew: Congratulations to Peggy for getting an ACE card for making the library look good.

- New Items
 - Updating Friends of the Library (Terri)- Our materials for FOTL have not been updated for quite some time and definitely not since COVID-19. Do we have FOTL anymore? We haven't had any in Amarillo since 2019.
 - i. Andrew: Sounds like something we need to fade out.
 - ii. Stephanie: Lubbock hasn't had one since 2020. What they want is access to the databases from their office. She is in favor of discontinuing.
 - iii. El Paso: Lisa made a "buffet" of services where they can pay \$300 and get unlimited amounts of the limited services like document delivery.
 - iv. Andrew: We should remove from website and eliminate all together.
- El Paso (Lisa) - El Paso administration is talking about system-wide library purchases. We are looking at starting our first PhD program, which will be an additional burden on our library.
- Discussion
- Library IT (Patrick)
 - TTUHSC IT is doing a massive clean up project. They are expunging all email accounts for former people who are no longer affiliated. For former employees and students, starting April 19, they can only see the email, not do anything with it. On May 15, it will be gone completely. Those dates are August 14th and September 29th, respectively, for retirees. This will not affect Professors Emeritus and working retirees.
 - Paul will not be back until after Spring Break.
 - Trying to schedule a retirement party for Margaret Vugrin.
- Questions/Closure

Library Faculty Meeting 03-09-2023 - 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 Stuart is working on 5 systematic reviews. Today he is participating in a seminar on systematic reviews sponsored by Bond University. There is also another SRMA seminar series that he is taking.

Kat Stapes participated in a JBI SR seminar yesterday.

Margaret Burnett is working on the systematic review course from Johns Hopkins University that is available through Coursera.

She is also teaming with me by observing and reading communications on a new scoping review on pharmaceutical interventions for fungal infections in obese patients for Ron Hall that I am leading. She has done some searching in PubMed and Embase to determine if there has been a study that has already been published on the topic. This is the first step in conducting any type of evidence synthesis. As I work through the review, I will continue to involve her by either having her observe processes, doing work collaboratively, or doing hands-on work depending upon what she feels comfortable with as she progresses.

She is continuing to work on MLA's Systematic Review Specialization Certificate. She will be taking the participatory Zoom session on Searching for Systematic Reviews that is coming up.

Ron Hall is in the final stage of publishing a scoping review that I worked on with him last year. A peer reviewer of the article raised a question about the length of the search strategies wondering if they could be abbreviated. I replied no because that would violate standards. I emailed Ron a copy of the scoping review standards published in the Annals of Internal Medicine. I also recommended that the complete search strategies for all of the databases be downloaded into Open Science Framework. I gave my approval to his rebuttal to the peer reviewer's concerns. I reviewed the scoping review submission to the publisher and gave my approval. The review has been accepted for publishing.

Ron Hall has requested the libraries help with another scoping review. It is the one that I have already mentioned that Margaret Burnett is observing and collaborating with me on. I sent Ron a template and definitions for a scoping review protocol. He has already registered the protocol, [How Representative are Randomized, Controlled Trials of Antifungal Agents in the Treatment of Candidemia and/or Invasive Candidiasis](#) in Open Science Framework. I reviewed and approved his protocol. I made notes regarding questions that I have. I need to do some research on pharmaceutical reviews and information resources that I will discuss with Ron in a future joint Zoom meeting with him, the team, and Margaret. I also asked him to send me the email addresses of his other team members. I cc'ed Margaret on all of the above information.

I had a meeting with Dr. Ben Baronio to discuss the status of work done so far on his evidence synthesis thesis on pedagogy for neuroanatomy. He has not been able to work on the review since 2019 because his thesis advisor at Oxford resigned just as the pandemic started. Oxford has finally assigned him a new advisor so he is finally able to start working on it again. I checked all of the databases I had searched to ensure that the search strategies are still saved. Using a new feature in Covidence, I tagged his articles, that are already in Covidence, using a Cochrane algorithm that identifies articles as possible RCT's. I need to rerun the saved searches and download the updated article lists into Covidence. I also sent him an illustrated PowerPoint on how to access

the Covidence demo as well as obtaining full-text articles through Covidence's DOI link, Browzine, and ILL. I wrote a meeting summary and emailed it to him.

I have conducted preliminary searches for Dr. Wali Yousufzai's request for a new evidence synthesis on ketogenic diet and mental disorders. I responded to his request explaining concerns about possible/probable bias in the searches he conducted. I sent a list of dates/times I have available to Zoom meet with him and the team.

I had a Zoom meeting with Erin Millican, MS I for her MSSRP research project. We did extensive PubMed searching on junctional hemorrhages. I showed her where to download EndNote for free from the libraries website.

I responded to Raghavendra Sanivarapu, MD, from the Permian Basin, who wants a systematic review.

I am continuing to work on MLA's Systematic Review Specialization Certificate.

I answered the *Survey to Investigate Systematic Review Services and Fluctuations* from the University of Southern California, Norris Library.

I am working on a document listing 12 types of evidence synthesis including definitions, examples of a well-constructed questions, the recommend question framework, article examples, protocol registration requirements, conducting and reporting standards, and links to the associated critical appraisal checklists.

I am coordinating it with the JBI Manual of Evidence Synthesis. This is in preparation for an orientation to the Doctor of Nursing Practice program orientation scheduled in early May.

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