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## Library Faculty Council Meeting Minutes

4 September 2012, 1:00 p.m., Room 218, Poynter Library

Librarians Present: Gary Austin, Deborah Henry, Patricia Pettijohn, Tina Neville, Kaya Van Beynen, Jim Schnur

Regrets: None

Guests: None

Meeting: Called to order at 1:03 p.m. by Patricia

Minutes: Deb moved, and Kaya seconded, approval of July 31 meeting minutes. *Motion passed.*

## Faculty Governance Reports/Announcements

**Announcements: Bibliographic Instruction Assessment:** Tina noted that surveys are being sent out and reminded others that they should inform her of any in-class BI sessions so surveys are distributed in a timely manner.

**Announcements: Collection Development/Bibliographic Instruction:** Jim will remain the primary librarian for history, political science, and law, though he may tag-team with Patricia on occasion. Requests for BI sessions in these subfields should go to Jim first.

**System Faculty Council:** Patricia reported on some highlights from the August 30 Council meeting, held at USFSP. There is a proposed System policy under consideration that would require criminal background checks of new faculty and staff hires, as well as some volunteers and student employees. The level of the background check may vary depending on the type of assigned duties. For example, those in the College of Education involved in school internships may have fingerprinting or other requirements beyond a basic criminal background check. There are some concerns regarding many aspects of this plan. For example, does it include staff in USF Athletics? Also, reporting requirements are subject to interpretation and some possess an uncomfortable degree of ambiguity (i.e., must we report minor traffic convictions that have no bearing on our assigned duties?). Also discussed were state mandated revisions to General Education requirements and the evolving role that the Florida Virtual Campus and private business entities/educational institutions may have. Regarding the meetings for the new Regional Chancellor, some questions remain regarding the final disposition of search-related materials such as comments gathered during forthcoming conversations about the qualities and traits we want in a leader. Patricia also mentioned she is involved with redrafting standards for Distinguished Professors that offer monetary incentives at the System level.

**Faculty Senate:** Kaya mentioned that College of Arts and Sciences Dean Frank Biafora talked about the forthcoming search. The Senate requested an update from Norine Noonan about IT filtering of websites. Some faculty governance committees still lack full representation, though seats are being filled at this time. Faculty and staff award deadlines are moving up earlier on the Tampa campus and we were invited to reconsider our deadlines. Both faculty and staff councils have concurred that they want our guidelines in step with Tampa to assure our candidates have an opportunity to compete for awards at the System level.

**Undergraduate Council:** No report

**Graduate Council:** Tina mentioned that the master's degree in Psychology has been approved.

**Research Council:** No report

**General Education:** Gary said that Norine and Cyndie Collins talked about the evolving legislation under development and consideration. One issue under consideration is that there may no longer be the possibility of "double-dipping" a GE requirement with one for a student's major.

**Awards Committee:** No report

Old Business

**Emeritus Status for Jerry:** Status is pending, awaiting next campus Board of Trustees meeting.

New Business

**Chancellor Search:** Meetings are underway, including a meeting with the search firm on September 5 and sessions for faculty to discuss a vision of leadership in two gatherings on September 7.

Meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m. Next meeting is Tuesday, October 2, at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Schnur  
Council Secretary

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Promotion Committee of Library Faculty Council Meeting Minutes

4 September 2012, immediately following LFC meeting, Room 218, Poynter Library

Librarians Present: Deborah Henry, Tina Neville, Kaya Van Beynen

Meeting: Called to order at 1:51 p.m.

Selection of Chair

By vote of the members of the Library Promotion Committee in executive session, Kaya was selected as chair.

Immediately thereafter, the meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Tina notified all LFC members and Dean Hixson of this decision.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Neville