LIBRARIANS MEETING Tuesday, December 12, 2006 @ 2:00 p.m. Library Conference Room

Attendees:

Kathy Arsenault, Jim Schnur, Deb Henry, Jerry Notaro, Kaya Townsend, Tina Neville, Marcy Carrel, Patricia Pettijohn, Berrie Watson, and Jean Ferguson for minutes

Announcements:

Kathy asked who was going to the USF Libraries Annual Meeting in Tampa on Friday, and Tina, Deb, Marcy, and Patricia (with some of her staff) indicated that they would attend. Kathy reminded everyone of the campus holiday party on Thursday of this week, as well as the library party next Tuesday. She said that the FLA Conference in 2008 would be held in Pinellas County at the Tradewinds Resort. Kathy also stated that she was thinking about a new policy for the library conference room, in which it would only be available to outside groups if a librarian were on the committee, and the librarians supported her idea. She indicated that the strategic planning in Tampa is continuing and that she had sent out comments. She asked for suggestions for projects over the semester break besides getting a new refrigerator, and one was to replace or eliminate some of the library signs. David Brodosi had requested that an announcement be made about the new ID center hours, and Jerry stated that they would be open only when a staff member was present, i.e., till 7:00 on weeknights, and that only student IDs would be done on Saturdays.

Discussion:

Kathy complimented Kaya for the wonderful job she did on the library survey, and a discussion followed about the results. On the need for better outdoor lighting, Kathy said she would refer it to Jim Grant and the campus police. The problem of noise was discussed but not really resolved. Kathy was pleased by the wonderful comments about the reference librarians and computer access. Berrie offered several suggestions, such as more clearly advertising the laptops and possibly setting up a special area for using them in the library. Patricia asked about moving the audio books to the leisure reading area and mainstreaming the language tapes, and the others agreed. Kathy requested that Kaya make signs for the study rooms. Other suggestions included sensitizing the study room keys, conducting education classes in the computer area, and wireless usage.

Jerry spoke about two new distance courses to be offered next semester and about consulting with Anderson Lock and Key on rekeying the A/V doors. He also reported on the Faculty Senate having requested that Karen White attend their meeting to discuss payment for use of facilities by faculty and staff. It was decided that affiliates would first

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be asked to pay, and that for now faculty and staff could continue using the pool and gym for free. Other issues discussed included parking and day care.

Patricia announced that Aleph Version 18 is here and that training will be coming. She said that Tech Services is swamped but that Chris is catching on quickly, and that they are ahead on ordering, with 4,000 books this year. She will send an email to the librarians about recommendations for what to get in the "big ticket" file.

Several librarians praised Kaya's survey suggestion on tying in the library's display with the February Oscars, but Kaya said she found the idea in a blog. She also announced to applause that her IRB had gotten passed. A proposal was made about having game nights, and Jim suggested a jigsaw puzzle on the table during exam week. Kaya suggested a lunch time brown bag talk.

Berrie stated that Circ had been moved and that next would come tables, spam control, building relay, scanners, etc. He will hire a helper next semester.

Deb announced that she and Tina had submitted a manuscript to <u>Reference and User Services Quarterly</u>, but that they weren't holding their breath on its publication.

Tina said she had talked to Elizabeth about working 1 to 9 on Sundays next semester and that it was all set. She suggested the librarians thank Elizabeth for the extra coverage she'll be providing for the annual meeting and at Christmas. Tina and Marcy will be working on the shifting of the directories next week, but they'll leave the maps alone.

Neither Jim nor Marcy had anything to add, but Kathy told Marcy she would talk to the Business Dean about finding her a "nook" in their area. The meeting then adjourned at 4:00.