

**COUNCIL OF LIBRARY DEPARTMENT HEADS
MINUTES
JANUARY 29, 2007**

Present: Dean Michael Binder, Sadiq Shah, Associate Vice President for Research & Economic Development, Connie Foster, Timothy Mullin, Carrie Barnette, Jayne Pelaski, Haiwang Yuan, Brian Coutts and Jan Renusch

Michael began the meeting by introducing the special guest, Sadiq Shah, the Associate Vice President for Research & Economic Development. Dr. Shah talked about the office of Research & Development and several of its new initiatives. A question and answer period followed.

Minutes: The minutes of the January 8, 2007 meeting were approved as corrected.

Web & Virtual Library: Per the Dean's request, Haiwang has created a web index for the College Library Committees and its subsidiary web pages with the committees and their members. The web page can be found at <http://www.wku.edu/Library/deansoffice/collibcom.html>, accessible from the Dean's Office link on the Libraries Home Page.

Development: Carrie announced she had about \$10,000 in outstanding requests for the book fest with \$39,300 raised to date. She is also making calls concerning the meet the authors reception sponsorships.

- Carrie told the council that a \$100,000 anonymous estate gift has been made to benefit the Kentucky Museum. The area of focus for use of funds will be very general.
- Carrie is writing PIE grants for the Writer-in-Residence initiative as well as the student art exhibit. Both will be submitted in February. Further discussion will take place regarding this funding.
- Carrie met with a representative at the Center for Research and Development regarding the exhibit to be developed in its lobby space. She will have more information as she continues to meet and create strategies for recruiting donors.
- The Museum Advisory Council meeting is tonight and the Library Advisory Council will meet in February, since it didn't meet in January.
- Carrie will be attending a CASE3 conference on February 4-5-6 and then working at the Used Book Sale for the remainder of that week.

Community Outreach: Jayne gave the following schedule of events: One Book Kick-off Events - THE MEMORY KEEPER'S DAUGHTER by Kim Edwards - Kick off at BGTC today at 1:00 p.m.

- Jayne distributed copies of a Daily News front page article on the One Book Kick-off in Helm 100 on Friday, January 26 and an editorial on Saturday, January 27.

-Black History Month @ your library featuring Sheila Williams:

- January 31 at 3:30 p.m. - Girls, Inc. Workshop led by Sheila Williams for 75 girls. Free books, journals and pens will be given to each participant.
- February 1 at 2:00 - Glasgow Campus
- February 1 at 6:00 p.m. - BGPL
- (February 1 at 7:30 p.m. - Barnes and Noble - Thelma Green Exhibit opens).

February 2 at 10:00 a.m. - Helm 100

Dean's Report: Michael reported that Lynn Pawley will be meeting with the Department Heads this week regarding indexes for the new budget. The deadline for budget submission is late February.

-Michael reported on three meetings he had with Dr. Burch which included the Ogden College Committee Report, Kentucky Building rental agreement, future needs for collections, and building plans. He will meet with Connie and Brian regarding consultants for planning and analysis.

DLTS Report: The Voyager upgrade to 6.2.1 took 5 days but went without complications. The system became available again on January 19.

-We have placed a request for a new VCR-DVD combo as ours ate a VHS tape, and it cannot be retrieved until we get a new one and can dismantle the old one. This is not the first time a tape has disappeared into its black hole.

-Jack Montgomery ended our contract with BUSCA whereby they sold unaccepted gift books for us. The return was minimal. 27 boxes went to Better World Books for distribution to libraries in Miss., AL, and in New Orleans.

-Connie prepared a PIE proposal for one-year funding for an institutional repository

-Interesting statistic: Approximately 60% of our journal subscriptions are in print; 40% are online only; 548 titles are print with some form of online access (12%). This does not include the thousands we have access to through aggregator databases, just library-paid subscriptions.

DLSC Report: The public computers are not yet installed in the Kentucky Library. The laptop computer has not yet been delivered to the Kentucky Building.

-The IMLS CAP Grant consultants have come and gone. They were very helpful, especially the architectural consultant during our meeting with the Provost. They have two months to submit their reports.

-VSA Exhibit opened on January 22nd. A crowd of about 70 people was in attendance.

-The next big event is the US Bank Community Art Exhibit in March.

-Sue Lynn McDaniel has been asked to curate an exhibit on the Little Colonel in conjunction with U of L and other interested parties.

-The second Lincoln Bicentennial Community meeting was very well attended with representatives from Hart and Simpson counties.

-Timothy is working on an old court order dealing with the Natcher grandchildren from ten years ago whereby we give one grandchild, in particular, some of the best pieces of the collection.

-WKYU-FM is airing *Whispers of Angels* during Black History Month. Timothy did the historic set designs.

-Filling the University Archivist position is ongoing.

DLPS Report: Brian reported delays in hiring students this term due to slow action on Security Clearances.

-The ERC Coordinator and staff have been developing bibliographies for course proposals for a possible new ED D program for the College of Education.

-A new display shelf has been constructed and installed in Helm 100 to house the growing Leisure Magazine Collection.

-Rosemary Meszaros has been nominated for a seat on the RUSA Board (Reference and User Services Association, A Division of ALA) and Brian is a candidate for a seat on the LPSS Board (Law and Political Science Section, A Section of ACRL). Elections are scheduled for this spring.

-Brian has spoken with a representative from Leo Daly. A Library Design Group in Seattle.

-Brian served on the Award Jury for the 2007 Alibris Collection Development Book Grants. The jury made three awards from more than 100 proposals. The awards were presented on January 21 in Seattle at ALA-Midwinter.

-Thursday, February 1 at 7:30 p.m. will be the opening reception for Thelma Green's art work at Barnes & Noble. This is the third exhibit of African American art as part of the Black History Month celebrations.

-Kentucky's most famous landscape photographer, James Archambeault, will be the featured speaker on Thursday, February 8 at Barnes & Noble at 7:00 p.m. He will be talking about "Kentucky's disappearing landmarks" and will be signing copies of his new book: *James Archambeault's Historic Kentucky*, the first event in the Kentucky Live Series this semester. Paula Bowles and Nancy Marshall have developed a display for the Cravens Lobby and Cindy Troutman has arranged for a review of his book to appear in next Sunday's Daily News.

-Michael Trapasso, a Professor of Geography, will speak on Antarctica on Thursday, February 15 at Barnes & Noble at 7:00 p.m. This is the first event in this semester's Far Away Places Series.

Adjournment: With no further business before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

For the Council,

Jan Renusch