Present: Connie Foster, Doris Settle, Cynthia Houston, John Bowers, Mark Reeves, Christopher Brown, Tiffany Polite, Jean Nehm, Robert Dietle, Steve Winniger and Jan Renusch

Minutes: The minutes from the November 1, 2012, meeting were approved electronically on a motion by Cynthia Houston and a second by Darwin Dahl.

Updates: Connie reported that there will be no budget news until after April 18. The library has turned in inflationary projections.
- Connie reviewed the Commons at Cravens opening and statistics for February. Research assistance was up 89% since the Commons opened. Overall there are more students in the Commons using computers, studying, and engaging in group projects. At the Owensboro campus in Building 2, a learning commons may be included in the future (3-5 yrs.).
- Connie gave updates on Computer Lab Traffic link, New Stuff on Pinterest site and StackMap.

Advice: Connie opened for discussion the Personal Librarian initiative. Suggestions made were: be proactive reaching out to all students, main campus, South Campus, at-risk students, regional campuses. Get them into the library for some type of training session, be involved in Master Plan activities especially the required am sessions. Ask professors to incorporate library research in their classes at freshman level. Invite clubs to meet in the library and meet with a librarian or have a librarian drop in freshmen resident halls and talk with RA’s.

Implementing Library Fines: Connie reviewed the present overdue fees and time limits for students and faculty/staff. She proposed raising the fee to 10 cents daily when fines reach $6 (60 days). By increasing fines for students and faculty and decreasing maximum time, we can better implement overdues electronically and clear student records. On a motion by Robert Dietle and a second by Steve Winniger the proposed fee increase was approved.

Comments: Cynthia Houston inquired about access to and expansion of e-book collections. Discussion followed.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

For the Council,

Jan Renusch