

Learning Resource Committee

Minutes for meeting on 4/3/14 [3/27 meeting re-scheduled due to conflict with Library Search]

Members Present: Mary Aquila, Robert Burkhardt, Mike Essary, Brian Kennedy, Kimberly Jack, Mary-Beth Johns, Del O'Neal, Chris Otto [proxy for Gail Bergeron], Teresa Wanbaugh, Jennifer Wolfe

Members Absent: Kim Bell [scheduling conflict], Bonnie Heatherly, Linda Hemmingway, Tony Moyers, Darlene Turner-White, Robert White, Cathy Woodruff

Meeting convened 10 am, K.J. chair and recording

Old Business

1. Minutes from 2/18/14 ratified
2. R.B. reported meeting with the Student Club Council to promote the use of the Learning Commons by their organizations.
3. Report on Search for a new Librarian by R.B. and M.A.: 3 candidates finished campus visits. Search Committee scheduled to meet to discuss later that day.

On-going Business

Development of Information Literacy Plan

1. ACRL Information Literacy Standards 2nd draft had not yet been released by the time we met, despite the ACRL requesting feedback on this document by 4/15. The 2nd draft should include not only the ACRL's new "Thresholds" (i.e. Standards), but sample assignments and assessment options. [Note: RB copied these to committee via e-mail on 4/8 when they were released].
2. Since our Information Literacy plan will need to be consistent with the ACRL's, we are stalled until they release a final draft [expected August 2014].
3. Del O'Neal is willing to offer feedback to the ACRL's newest draft on our behalf once we can review the document. Tentative agreement to meet on 6/19/14 at 10 am to discuss the ACRL draft, followed by small group brown-bag lunch workshop to formulate implications of and responses to the report. [Note: this date was set based on the expectation that the 2nd draft might be released in early June, and a recognition that we are approaching Finals for Spring term].
4. Fall projects include: (a) Formulate Information Literacy Standards for Athens State, reflecting but not necessarily mirroring the ACRL "Thresholds," (b) map where and how Information Literacy elements are currently taught and assessed, and (c) identify gaps in information literacy instruction and assessment, and work with the departments to design and implement appropriate assignments and assessments.
5. Possibly contact QEP to suggest working with our committee on instituting Information Literacy across the curriculum as a future QEP project.
6. Library currently works with College of Business and College of Arts & Sciences to teach and assess Information Literacy in Fundamentals courses, but we need to determine how Information Literacy is taught and assessed in Education courses.

New Business

RB reported that he would be meeting with a candidate for SGA office who proposed expanding the Library's hours. TW suggested that this student might be more concerned with access to the Writing Center tutors than Library hours. Discussion pending RB's meeting with the student.

Next Meeting set for 6/19/14 at 10 am, followed by optional brown-bag lunch workshops on ACRL plan

Meeting adjourned at 11 am.