

Minutes of Library Strategic Planning Committee meeting August 5, 2015

Present: Amanda Cowell, John Oliver (minutes), Taras Pavlovsky, Louise Pezzullo-Bizon

The minutes for the June 3 meeting were reviewed. The minutes will be posted but could not be approved due to membership changes in the committee.

Because new members joined the committee (Pezzullo-Bizon and Oliver), Pavlovsky briefly reviewed the library governance structure, the LSPC's charge, and the library's strategic map, pointing to appropriate documents/websites.

Oliver was elected chair of LSPC (nominated by Cowell, seconded by Pezzullo-Bizon, with a unanimous vote).

Progress reports on initiatives from the Strategic Map:

- A2 (“Optimize a library collection responsive to the changing needs of users”): Pavlovsky shared an update (dated June 25, 2015) from Maureen Gorman, chair of the Collection Development Committee (CDC). Literature has been collected in a shared RefWorks library, and the CDC plans to examine these resources and prioritize next steps by the beginning of the fall semester.
- D2 (“Maintain a first-class, prestigious facility”): Bethany Sewell (Chair of the Library Building and Safety Committee) provided an update at the July 8 library staff meeting. Pavlovsky said he would ask Sewell for a written update.
- C1 (“Systematically communicate to build awareness and demonstrate value and impact”): Pavlovsky reported that progress had been made, and he said he would provide an update soon.

Reference service as an additional strategic objective

Outgoing LSPC chair Valerie Tucci drafted and submitted a recommendation (June 2015) to the Steering Committee and Dean, suggesting A3 (“Assess and implement an effective reference service model”) as an additional strategic objective. Pavlovsky shared that the Library Steering Committee (LSC) said that LSPC should follow the shared governance 3-step process for determining additional strategic objectives. Therefore, LSC requested that LSPC hold an open forum to gain testimony and feedback from stakeholders regarding adding A3 to the approved strategic objectives. LSPC decided that an appropriate next action would be a discussion at a Public Services meeting (ideally its September 3 meeting). Oliver agreed to arrange/facilitate. Likely subsequent steps would be collection of wider feedback via an online survey and an open forum (possibly in October).