SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 16, 2010 @ 11 am
LAO Conference Room, LS7

Present:
Deron Boyles (Chair), Gertrude Tinker Sachs, Nan Seamans, Nancy Johnson, Andrea Goodman, Bryan Sinclair, Matthew Sugarman, Tim Renick, John Decker, Lisa Cranwell Bruce, Florian Enescu, Pamela Lucas (Recorder)

Absent:
Bill Prigge, Ram Sriram, Brian Payne, Kathy Willoughby

Approval of Minutes:
Motion to approve minutes from the April 26 meeting was called by Andrea Goodman, seconded by Tim Renick. The motion was approved unanimously.

Updates from Nan Seamans, Dean of Libraries

1. Budget review – The library has received budget allocation for the year, and was asked to hold 1.6%. There is an expectation that there will be a request to return the 1.6%. If that happens the library budget will be under $10m for the first time in three years.

2. Journal Cancellation Project – Dean Seamans has been invited to attend meetings with most of the colleges to share information on the Library’s journal cancellation project. These meetings focus on why the cancellations are necessary, the process for selecting titles, and the impact to the collection as publishers continue to raise their prices. Journal publishers have raised prices 8% over the last 10 years, making it very difficult to sustain the collections, both print and electronic. The comment period for the project will end October 1. Dean Seamans also discussed concerns in the current publishing process [e.g., faculty doing research and writing articles about the research, giving those articles to publishers, and the library then having to buy back the research via journal subscriptions] stating that addressing this may become an initiative undertaken by the library in the coming year.

3. Digital Archive – The presentation was postponed until the next meeting.

Strategic Plan – Deron Boyles
The committee briefly discussed the progress of the university strategic planning efforts. It was noted that due to Dean Seamans’ efforts the library is included in the current draft of the University Strategic Plan.

Motion to Adjourn
Motion to adjourn was called by John Decker, seconded by Lisa Cranwell-Bruce. The meeting concluded at 11:40 a.m.

Next Meeting: October 4, 2010