Library Committee Meeting
10/31/12, 11am, Addlestone Room 251

In attendance:
John White – Interim Dean
Katina Strauch
Christa Poparad
Bonnie Devet
Louise Doire
Ana Oprisan
Heather Gilbert
Christine Byrum
Moore Quinn
Jared Seay

Millennium and Wifi – John White

Millennium ILS moved to stand alone server from shared server in Columbia. This will make books available faster.

Wifi has been problematic in the library prompting many student complaints. Network Engineering is addressing these issues. Please log all issues at the Information Desk on the first floor of the library.

Book Ordering – Katina Strauch

We are behind in book ordering. Orders must be turned in by February 5th. Perhaps, this deadline could be extended due to improvements in the ordering system. However, faculty in attendance voiced concern that this would not be effective.

Question was asked whether budget for print materials will decline. Since the library budget is stagnant and the budget for electronic resources increases by 10% per year, the print materials budget in some areas may decline to balance the budget.

Digital Humanities Working Group – Heather Gilbert

Digital Scholarship department was created last summer. Heather Gilbert is a new hire in this department. She has initiated the Digital Humanities Working Group. Eight faculty members attended first meeting. The group will investigate an online, interactive journal. Perhaps, collaboration with ETV will be possible. Sustainable student project hosting for CITA may also take place in the future. The library can also partner with faculty to produce and protect their digital work. These services are available to all faculty in any department.

Space – Katina Strauch and John White

Various projects in the library have opened some space in the library. We have been exploring improved faculty space in the building. Room 335 has been set aside at least for the time being for
faculty writing and research. Additionally, the Scantron machine has been moved to Room 335. The key may be checked out at the Circulation Desk. We are also looking at new, innovative spaces for students.

Extended hours were requested. This has been proposed to the college administration.

**Student Advisory Board – Katina Strauch and John White**

60 applications have been received for the Student Advisory Board which will consist of 5-7 students.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting will take place in April to approve the library budget.