

Report to the Stockton Faculty Senate regarding the FY 2021 – 22 activities of the Library Committee

1. 2020 – 2021 membership of the Faculty Senate Committee on the Library

Faculty Members

Vasundhara Chakraborty	Chair (2020-2022)
Beau Hancock	ARHU (2021–2023)
Benham Tavakkol	BUSN (2021–2023)
Amy Ackerman	EDUC (2021–2023)
Mariam Hussein	GENS (2021–2023)
Monika Pawlowska	HLTH (2021–2023)
Rui (Jeff) Ge	Library (2021–2023)
Wooseok Ki	NAMS (2021–2023)
Connie Tang	SOBL (2021–2023)
Eric Jeitner	Union representative

Ex Officio Members

Christy Goodnight	Interim Director of Library Services
Mark Jackson	Director of Production Services
Kathleen Klein	Director of Center for Teaching & Learning Design

2. The Library Committee meetings AY 2021-2022

- October 28, 2021 (Consultant visit - cancelled)
- December 13, 2021
- March 09, 2022
- April 11, 2022 (MSCHE library consultant visit)
- May 6, 2022

3. The committee did not have a particularly active year. This can probably be attributed to three factors:

- A. The Faculty Senate assigned no specific new tasks to the committee.
- B. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic resources were limited and there were limited projects.
- C. Change in library leadership and search process.

4. There were three issues which emerged in the course of the year:

- A. The shuttering of the NJVid (now known as Illumira)
- B. The committee made up of librarians and others investigating the creation of a Stockton OER (Open Educational Resources) policy/support/promotional activity
- C. information literacy instructional/testing/certifying program or software product package to use with incoming freshmen starting in the fall of 2021.

5. The October meeting had to be cancelled due to changes happening in the library leadership.

6. The December meeting was about minor updates from the interim provost of the library.

7. The March meeting – there was no business other than updates from the Library interim Director pertaining to:

- A. Associate Provost of the Library and Learning Commons search
- B. Streaming Video: separate messages from ITS and the library.
- C. Library wide survey Space: Reading Room “progress” and possible donor.
- D. Z subscript.
- E. Usability study
- F. Hiring circulation positions
- G. 50th anniversary exhibit

8. The May meeting: there was no business other than updates from the Library interim Director pertaining to:

- A. NJVid and streaming videos
- B. Associate Provost of the Library and Learning Commons search

Thank you.

Vasundhara Chakraborty,
Chair
on behalf of the Faculty Senate Committee on the Library

Meeting agendas and approved minutes are attached. (Minutes from March 2022 and May 2022 are attached.)

Meeting minutes: 03/09/2022

Time: 4:30pm, Zoom meeting

Participants:

Christy Goodnight ,Eric Jeitner, Benham Tavakkol, Amy Ackerman,Monika Pawlowska, Rui Ge, Daniel Ki, Connie Tang, Mariam Hussein, Vasundhara Chakraborty

Updates by Eric Jeitner:

Eric is part of the search committee for Associate Provost for Library which began the search process two & half weeks ago. The process is ongoing.

A library wide survey in which the entire campus was invited to take part was created. In the past the survey was designed and created by an external organization that the library subscribed to in order to use the survey and it covered all library services. But that survey design has been around for a while.

So it was decided to change the approach and design the survey themselves.

Smaller more direct survey that was able to target particular areas were adopted to find out information and public opinion relating to libraries. Instead of making one unified survey it is now subdivided into discrete targeted smaller surveys that are that are much, much faster to take, but give much more direct targeted information back and still operates on the same three year schedule. Now they are six separate very targeted mini surveys that will roll out .

This started last semester with a usability study being conducted. For example the Web usability was one of the six facets and this semester they are conducting our survey on library space. Talking to different liaison programs, having tables with cookies, bookmarks and free books tend to draw and students. It started since 14th of February and will be wrapped up by the end of this week.

Daniel Ki: After finishing the survey felt it was more student centric. Can there be more specialized survey geared towards faculty?

Eric: The Group that designed the survey found that since the focus was specifically on space and generally faculty have their offices, home libraries etc. from where they do a lot of their research. So focus was more on students.

There were there was a bit of deliberation on like to what extent, should we target some of these like we realized that like questions about study room so obviously that's not going to be like super super pertinent to faculty members. The Faculty might bring in a group of students, where they were setting the students up to specifically do work and one of the study rooms.

Updates from Christy:

1. Hiring a 13 D visiting librarian in order to backfill her position, while she is interim Director.
2. The two circulation positions that have been vacant since last June and July due to retirements have finally been approved by both the provost office and human resources and now there's there in administration and finance.

3. There's very little copying so it was decided to take the copy machine out of commission and put it into Commission as a printer. Instead of having the coin operated one there will be one that people could do on their own. There will be three printers .
4. The learning access program has a learning access Center room in the library and the universities budget was approved for it's renovation. 3 tables that are electric that move up and down for students to accommodate all sorts of different needs .
5. The Z subscript that's zero cost courses is moving forward and will be activated with the fall schedule. Students can actually search for this classes by the Z they're currently using in future instead of the library website the registrar will keep this list of courses.
6. There's a new exhibit that is currently. being displayed in library. The official name is "after the end of the world, displaced persons and displaced persons camp". This is part of the panels for the exhibit and it's currently here in the library as part of a United Nations exhibit which came to the library, as part of a Holocaust and genocide studies conference that's here on campus at the end of March. It is on the first floor on the main floor near the Librarians offices in the display area. There are also some panels along the wall next to the Constantinos room upstairs on the upper level.
7. The 50th anniversary exhibit, A montage of a bunch of different pictures that make up a mural that will be on the wall in the campus Center across from the board of trustees room above the stairwell that goes down to the dining. It is 30 feet wide by 16 feet high. And it's made up of tiny individual photos that are approximately a foot by a foot or a foot by three foot, depending on the photo. And when you stand back there's also an image of an osprey overlaid. installation is March 16 to the 18th. The installation is being videotaped.
8. Still waiting on our budget announcements from the provost to start making some decisions as to the options for replacing nj vid for streaming.

Connie Tang: Question about like open access materials. We're encouraging the use of open educational resources, we also encouraging faculty members to publish with open access publishers. Is it a good thing to publish with open access publishers.

Eric: In the libraries estimation, yes unequivocally but mileage may vary in terms of what individual departments may require.

Meeting minutes: 05/05/2022

Time: 1:00pm – 2:30pm, Zoom meeting

Participants:

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Approval of minutes from 03/09/2022. Motion to approve by Eric Jeitner and seconded by Daniel Ki.

Updates by Christy Goodnight:

The search to fill the Associate Provost of the Library and Learning Commons post is still going on.

The budget for FY2023 has yet to be approved.

Different options for streaming video are being added in place of NJVID. Swank Digital Campus should start in Summer 2022.

Connie Tang: Are we able to get the videos for biological sciences?

Christy: Sourcing different platforms to find the films. Examples are Kanopy, Swank, JoVE, AVON, FoD, etc.

Will also have Films on Demand and AVON academic videos where streaming videos could be uploaded and made available. We can upload videos we own the perpetual streaming rights to on these platforms, like the Bates video collection for medical videos. Different streaming platforms' lists are being checked for availability of videos formerly on NJVID.

Subject librarians will be trained and will have more information on video access and streaming rights as soon as the budget is approved, and we know which streaming platforms we will have access to starting FY23.