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## Libraries Advisory Committee Minutes - February 8, 2017

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Members present: John Eye (Chair), Susan Dobson, Max Grivno, Susan Mullican (via Blackboard, Wei Wang, Xinyu Yu, Jesslin Williams

Upcoming Events can be found under **University Libraries News and Announcements** at [http://www.lib.usm.edu/about\\_us/news](http://www.lib.usm.edu/about_us/news)

### **Textbooks on Reserves Initiative**

This is a pilot program that will offer textbooks on reserve for all General Education Core classes. Reserves are for a 3-hour period. Please encourage all faculty teaching GEC courses to place textbooks on reserve at Cook Library by calling Circulation at 601-266-4250 or sending email to [Emilie.Laiche@usm.edu](mailto:Emilie.Laiche@usm.edu) or [Sarah.Rials@usm.edu](mailto:Sarah.Rials@usm.edu).

The Student Government Association is giving \$1,000 and University Libraries is providing \$5,000 for this project. Also, Jen Culley and Sarah Mangrum received a Southern Miss Fund Grant that will provide \$10,000 to assist with startup costs and help provide funding through fall 2018.

Success of the initiative will be measured by checkout statistics and feedback on student surveys. Rather than creating a survey just for the Textbook on Reserves program, SGA has offered to add a couple of related questions to surveys used to gather other information from the student body.

Faculty are also encouraged to use eBooks when possible. Jen Culley, Collection Management and Acquisitions Librarian, can assist faculty members with identifying eBooks. She can be reached at 601-266-6209 or [Jennifer.Culley@usm.edu](mailto:Jennifer.Culley@usm.edu).

### **Open Educational Resources**

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of this initiative that offers grants to faculty to create textbook that will be open access. There will be three winners this year.

### **William Carey students**

Since the tornado that hit William Carey University on January 21, WC students are able to use the resources at Cook Library. At the request of the WC library director, William Carey students can check out materials from the library only with a Friends of the Libraries membership. FOL membership offers a 10% discount at Starbucks and the Barnes and Nobles Bookstore on campus. William Carey staff have a table on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of Cook Library to help their students with information on library resources.

During the Friends of University Libraries membership drive, anyone signing up between March 1 and April 30 will be entered in a chance to win an iPad Pro or a Samsung Galaxy Tablet.

<http://www.friendsofuniversitylibraries.com/>

**Big Data update**

To address the issue with big data, University Libraries has purchased Preservica to replace CONTENTdm. The new program will be ready by May of this year and the old system will no longer be available.

**Budget update, collection cuts**

There will possibly be a 5% budget cut imposed. More information on budget cuts should be available by the end of February.

University Libraries is still working on identifying low use/high cost databases to cancel.