The Library Faculty Committee convened in Mabee Library, Room 105 at 3:30 p.m. The following members were present: Dr. Bearman, Dr. Chamberlain, Dr. Chorba, Ms. Druse, Dr. Hull, Dr. Herbig, Dr. Leung, Ms. Perkuhn, Dr. Diaz-Reategui, Dr. Reynard, Dr. Sorensen, Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Thomas, Dr. Wagner, and Ms. Weber. Ms. Masterson, Dr. Hunt, Mr. Knowles, Dr. Wilkinson sent word they would be unable to attend.

Dr. Bearman and Judy Druse will attend the Faculty Senate meeting on December 13th to discuss concerns about the new Collection Development Policy.

The library has received the results of the LibQUAL+ Survey. This is an online assessment tool that was administered in September to library users to get opinions on our service quality and facilities. Kelley Weber, Business Librarian, is in the process of compiling information and will distribute a final report when completed. Ms. Weber reported that 393 valid surveys were received and 191 comments were made. A handout was distributed and early results revealed that there is a high level of undergraduate approval with “Library as Place.” Ms. Weber presented statistics that revealed graduate students and faculty gave negative marks about library technology and easy access.

In order to find out the specifics of the comments made by faculty on the LibQUAL+ survey, Dr. Bearman asked the committee whether to survey the entire faculty or survey just the Library Committee members. It was suggested that in order for the library to receive various individual responses, Dr. Bearman should ask to get on the Division or Unit agenda. The survey will not only be used to measure how well the library has improved since the last survey, but it will also be used to move the library forward to meet the demands of academic and student success.

The library just started drafting the 2011-2013 Mabee Library Strategic Plan. The plan will be distributed to the Library Committee by the end of the academic year.

The library received the Capital Budget Planning schedule for 2012. The deadline to submit requests are as follows: Capital Improvement (11/28/10); Equipment (1/24/11) and Technology (2/7/11).
Because of a 4-8% book inflation increase next year, the library continues to make budget adjustments moving in the direction of electronic formats. The library has cut the book budget 54% over the last two years and there is still potential for more cuts. Illiad, the new Interlibrary Loan online ordering and management system, has made it possible for the library to keep track of how often an item is being loaned and borrowed. This allows the library to purchase an item if it has high usage. This new system has also increased the library collaboration efforts and sharing privileges.

During Winter Break the library liaisons will look at overall departmental spending. If a certain department has not spent most of their allocation by this time, some of their funding might be shifted to other departments. The library will begin its process of journal and database purchasing for 2012. If any department has materials that they feel are critical to growing your program, contact your library liaison.

Because of space shortage the library is withdrawing many titles in the VHS and DVD collections. The library is also collaborating with KTWU looking into the growing area of streaming video. The goal is to shift to streaming video through the course reserve platform by January 2011. The library will no longer purchase DVDs unless it is for classes. Faculty that orders DVDs for next semester must make it very clear to library liaisons that this is for a class or it will not get ordered.

Digital Initiatives is working to upgrade the library’s web site. The suggested name for this homepage will be called the Digital Branch and the design will target undergraduate students. For more advanced searching, the team will develop advanced pages using LibGuides. The library has purchased Encore for another three years and obtained Synergy, a discovery tool. The suggested name for this one search tool is “Bod Search.” Synergy allows you to search the catalog and limit by content type, including articles. Digital Initiatives will load one database on Synergy for a trial run through the spring semester. Our goal is to have thirty additional databases loaded by fall 2011. Dr. Bearman asks that the Committee check out the design process of the digital branch and send him feedback.

Meeting adjourned at 4:16 p.m.
Respectfully submitted
Ginger D. Webber, Administrative Secretary

NEXT MEETING
NEXT YEAR
February 16, 2011
Room 105
3:30 p.m.

Attachments:
LibQUAL+ Survey Handout and Statistics