Library Committee Library Director's Notes August 25, 2009

Traditionally the Library Committee meets to hear the plans and concerns of the librarian. I would like the committee to consider a more proactive involvement in the programs and projects of the library. Since the committee represents a broad spectrum of the college, who better to let me know what is needed than the people who are out there.

The following are some areas of action based upon research on best practices and discussions with Dr. Jones and the library staff:

Project Manual developed from best practices research on marketing, library instruction, services, staff development and other activities. The major divisions are complete; however, I need to select 4 or 5 areas for focus this year. This is a major area where the Library Committee could help.

Marketing and staff development are major focus areas during the fall semester.

The library website is being revamped. We started on it before we knew the new website was coming out. Currently, the library website needs revising because of the new capabilities of the college website.

We will have some of the Title III laptops for students to check-out for in-house use. They will not be checked out for home use.

Dr. Jones is supportive of the library and suggests activities that will bring students, faculty and staff to the library. One mentioned is monthly focus displays and exhibits.

Dr. Jones requested I review the Chronicle for Higher Education each morning and forward articles of interest to deans, faculty and staff.

Old Business

The Disaster Recovery Plan is not moving forward. I was distracted by other projects and the campus recovery committee has not met since we discussed the plan during the Library Committee.

Personal note: I am sorry I am not in attendance. I realize this doesn't bode well for professionalism.

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