November 2, 2006  9am  Room N410

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I. Recruitment update: Scott announced that the metadata search is progressing with candidates coming soon for interviews. Search committees for Heads of Acquisitions and Reference have had their first meeting. Also a search has begun for a Japanese bibliographer which will be a temporary position.

II. Minutes of October meeting were approved with no changes.

III. No unfinished business.

IV. New Business

1. Fagerstrom introduced the changes to the procedures of the Promotion and Reappointment Committee to be included in the Libraries Faculty Handbook. He said that the changes were minor but needed to clarify some issues. Procedures as sent out prior to meeting were approved unanimously.

2. Cronin introduced the four changes to FPC policy and procedures for the Handbook that were sent to faculty prior to meeting.
   A. This was introduced in October meeting.
   B & D. These additions are proposed to be in accordance with the University’s new policy, “Conflict of Interest in Cases of Amorous Relationships.”
   C. Proposed in an effort to harmonize FPC documentation with the Promotion and Reappointment Committee’s changes (No. 1 above).

   Discussion followed concerning B and D above. It was questioned if the change in our Faculty Handbook was necessary since it is University policy, or, if necessary, does it belong in another place in the Handbook. Others expressed that it would be a good idea to have it under FPC policy at least because of constant changing of personnel. Skip announced that the changes were in line with discussions in EPUS.

   All four changes passed unanimously.
V. Committee Reports
1. Faculty Personnel: Changes in Handbook constituted report.
2. Faculty Support: Hayworth announced that the Committee had received many requests and were processing them. Applicants would hear soon.
3. Promotion and Reappointment: Change voted on constituted report.
4. Tenure: No report
5. Election: Nominations have been received for faculty elected offices.
6. Awards: no report
7. Committee of Chairs: no report
8. Appeals Committee: no report
9. Other Library Committees
   a. Faculty/Staff Development: Keith Lance will be giving a presentation in the Libraries on Nov. 8.
   d. Recruitment to the Profession: Yesterday was the deadline for applications for Provost’s Fellow in the University Libraries.

V. Administrative Report
Scott announced that Dean Williams gave a budget presentation yesterday to Academic Affairs Budget Advisory Committee of the University. We should hear in March as to status.

VI. Announcements
1. University Committees: Skip announced that EPUS has been discussing the University’s instigation of background checks on applicants for University positions. Discussion and questions followed concerning extent of background check, when in the process the checks would be made, and official start date of policy. At this time, information is incomplete. Scott will make an effort to gather available information.

VII. Motion to adjourn.