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Librarians Meeting  
Tuesday, June 12, 2007 @ 2:00 p.m.  
Library Conference Room  

Attendees:  
Kathy Arsenault, Tina Neville, Jim Schnur, Patricia Pettijohn, Marcy Carrel, Virginia Champion, Berrie Watson, and Jean Ferguson for minutes  

Discussion:  
Kathy began the meeting by announcing that Danka would not renew its contract with the university as of July 15. She said that Jim Gray of Tampa had made a plan which would provide a “seamless” transition. We would pay a price for the copiers, probably keeping two instead of three. The credit union would handle the cash and eliminate the towers, as they don’t want coins. We would pay Auxiliary Services and a percentage of the salary of the service technician, who would provide service once every two weeks. We would get all of the copy revenue. We would pay for the paper and toner and would service the copiers for paper and toner. We would commit to this plan for a year while Student Affairs might be on its own for the copy machines in DAV. This led to a lengthy discussion among the librarians about their concerns. Berrie noted that Uniprint is able to support certain copiers. Kathy said she would call Health Sciences, while Jim offered to call St. Petersburg College. Tina mentioned that the students are starting to complain about copy costs. Kathy asked if placing one copier near the reference desk would be helpful, and everyone said yes. Berrie explained that copying and change would be affected but not printing and that he would talk to the credit union. Patricia observed that if there were no copiers, people would start ripping out pages of books and journals. All agreed that scanning would help. Jim suggested someone ask Dr. Dhingra about a separate contract for our campus, and Kathy said she would talk to him. She then thanked everyone for their ideas and commented that not being on the “front line,” she wouldn’t have thought of some of the issues raised.  

Kathy said she had had a meeting with Sandi Conway and the administration about performance evaluations. She passed around self-assessment forms that she thought would be helpful for employees. And she reiterated that performance evaluations for probationary employees must be done before the six-month deadline.  

She also commented that nobody should park a Dodge vehicle on a side street, as it’s a favorite of car thieves and several have been stolen in the area.  

Patricia asked what the story was on the library parking lot, meaning whether it was now reopened and would be the same. Nobody was really sure. As to her question on whether the garage had a place for SAPL members to park, she was told no but that the book store did have a small area for patrons. She noted that the librarian ad came out Monday and that she’d already received four applications. She had also received three applications for Chris’s position. The revised PDQ for that position removes the ILL time, to Virginia’s dismay.
Patricia said that she needs a meeting with someone working in FAST to compare with some of her area’s issues when working in ALEPH. She commented that she didn't get Dr. Dhingra’s old furniture when he remodeled his office, so she still needs desks or desk parts.

Tina indicated that she had nothing new, nor did Marcy.

Virginia said she was slowly putting together the packet for Candice’s position, and that she had four good candidates.

Berrie again rubbed it in about going on vacation for a week, starting tomorrow. He said the new web server hardware was available, and that he would bring it up live and freeze the old one after his return.

Jim thanked everyone for their support, saying that the turnout for his lecture was great, and that he would be presenting it again tonight to a USF class.