

FINAL Meeting Minutes
Faculty Senate Library Advisory Committee
Tuesday, April 30, 2024

Zoom ID: 823 186 17981

Call to Order: 9:02 pm

Attending: Margret Goehring, Haleigh Haven, Christopher Brown, Lori Saiki, Ellen Bosman, Kim Lopez Gallagher, Susan Beck, Margaret Goehring, Katherine Terpis (Standing in for Kevin Comerford), Marshall Taylor, John P Mullen, Richard Pratt, Casey McDougall, Caitriana Steele, David Irvin (Ex-Officio)

- I. Introduction of members + Agenda Approval
 - a. Addition of Casey McDougall and Caitriana Steele to the committee.

- II. Discussion on open access models and article processing charges
 - a. Update by Susan Beck: It has been acknowledged by central but seems to have lost momentum/is not being fully assessed and is bouncing around “in the hopper.” Meetings have been had to discuss this. Has met with Dr. Cifuentes.
 - b. Chair Brown suggested that we send a note via email with the resolution to administration to encourage them to give attention to this matter. It was counter-suggested that we test the waters and speak to the Faculty Senate
 - c. Recommending for IDC monies be set aside to establish funding for OAP/APC by the library (Half a percent of IDC – potentially \$30,000 to \$40,000 - that would go to helping tenured faculty with conducting and publishing their research.
 - d. Final Decision: Will be taking temperature of SLC and VPR to garner support, then proceeding with sending the email if welcomed by these entities. Do not anticipate meeting with admin during the summer.

- III. Discussion on efforts to get students back into the libraries
 - a. Pre-Finals events this week for NMSU students at the library
 - i. **Prepare for finals week at NMSU Library**
 1. The NMSU Library will host a week of activities to prepare students for finals. Starting today, students can participate in coloring, word searches and puzzles. On Tuesday, April 30, there will be complimentary snacks available. On Wednesday, May 1, participate in stress-relieving arts and crafts from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Branson Library lobby. On Thursday, May 2, unwind with

Paws to Destress and spend time with therapy dogs. Finally, on Friday, May 3, students can swing by the library to grab a finals week survival kit. Finals week is tough, but you are tougher. The NMSU Library has your back. For more information, contact Nathan Camp at 575-646-3568 or ncamp@nmsu.edu.

- b. Elementary and middle school students - Summer program is in works, planning to utilize Emerging Tech Lab in engagement and activities.
 - c. Research and Creativity – No plans regarding summer meetings or programs.
 - d. Faculty position in the library, non-tenured, has been established. Position will require collaborating with Global coordinators and will report to the Head of Reference, as well as look through reference sections and aid faculty and students across campus.
 - e. Opening library for more hours to increase visitors and flexibility for students/community.
 - i. FY23: Branson visitor number (increased from FY22) - 42,174 (Will be developing a better visitor counter system to track visitors)
 - ii. FY23: Zhul visitor number (decreased from FY22) - 243,277 (Working to assess how to increase this number – visitor tracking system is sufficient)
 - f. Discussion of the issue of students not utilizing physical materials and resources/refusing to use them.
 - i. https://www.theguardian.com/books/2023/dec/15/reading-print-improves-comprehension-far-more-than-looking-at-digital-text-say-researchers?CMP=share_btn_url
 - ii. <https://natlib.govt.nz/blog/posts/reading-on-screen-vs-reading-in-print-whats-the-difference-for-learning>
 - iii. Limitations exist that prevent students from being able to use them.
 - iv. Association of College and Research Libraries has conducted research on this phenomenon.
 - v. Suggested that NMSU partner with nearby college library systems to create a coalition and tackle this issue while integrating research and previous studies.
 - 1. Side note: The community colleges now require students to get their books through the Follett Access - all eBooks.
 - vi. The inability to share E-books after purchase limits ability to create an inter-library loan system and share resources.
- IV. Ideas on filling vacancies on the Committee (special focus on student members)
- a. Haleigh Haven, FSLAC Secretary graduating this May.
 - b. Re-engaging GSC, ASNMSU, undergraduates, etc

- i. Haleigh will be meeting with Dr. Brown to discuss how to how to increase student participation in FSLAC.
 - c. Susan Beck is leaving Senate, will have election results for new Faculty Senator soon.
 - d. Dr. Brown, Dr. Goehring, and Haleigh will meet to assess the list of individuals leaving and will create a succession plan/overall strategy moving forward for FSLAC
- V. Acknowledging contributions by the members of FSLAC who are leaving The Library and giving well-wishes
 - a. David Irvin
 - b. Susan Beck
- VI. Setting fixed time for meetings for 2024-2025 academic year
 - a. Friday afternoons worked best for the committee.
 - i. Dr. Brown will create a poll via Excel and send to new committee roster once fixed to ensure that the availability of all is recorded and considered prior to creating a concrete meeting time.
- VII. Other items of discussion/miscellaneous
 - a. None

Adjourned: 10:07 pm



Haleigh Haven
FSLAC Secretary