UT / TBR Library Deans and Directors Joint Meeting

April 19, 2012, Nashville

Some people don’t like updates, others feel are most important. Trying to send in some information ahead of time and only hit the real highlights

Carolyn – Southwest TN CC
Expansion of center in Fayette County, with Southwest Community, Memphis, Martin – a good and bad thing as it means staffing – looking at kiosk
Staffing – hired two new librarians, one has already resigned
No budget increase in 8 years – continue to see where we can cut – we can use TAFT funding
New Library on Macon Cove campus
Been doing lots of weeding

Sandy L. – UTK
UT Purchasing – met with them this morning, TBR came up
End of year – waiting on budget – biggest news is that we are not getting recurring inflation money for the first time in 20 years – we will be figuring this out – cancelled 1 million in journals last year
Received 3 million dollars to renovation Learning – Computing Commons – will be open 24 hours – going to call it Main Street - Students Support, IT, Library
New Dean, Steve Smith, on board and has us doing lots of new things – wants to renovate every floor – create a Scholars Collaborative (only for faculty and graduate students) – GIS, consultation, thesis advising, e-science, and other faculty scholar led services – wants some sort of contemplative spaces as well – wants to create a Library Service Center – take all the technical processes and move them off campus – want the space for students – Technical Services – IT – ILL – also combine all service points to store lots of materials as the Library of record for TN.
Ground Floor – one stop student services center – previously students had to go all around campus – will have counselors – advising, bills, scholarship
UTK is having service dogs in around finals

Sandy O – UTGSM
No expecting any budget changes, do have one new GRA position, 20 hours per week.
Created a liaison program with clinical departments
No space changes – looking at getting rid of old bound print journals
Still fundraising for the new library – at least 18 months away
Staff accomplishments – Martha, medical fellow, two librarians sent to South Africa
Teaching residents about narrative medicine and its benefits – two librarians participating
Bringing service dogs in bi-weekly
Did strategic plan

Tom – UTHSC
Budget – flat budget for 5 years, last two with one-time money – operating at 200k deficit – hoping for an adjustment this year – like electricity for the institution
Up for SACS accreditation
Space reallocation on 5th floor – reducing print footprint – convert it into a learning commons and a separate proposal for expanding historical collections – student have 100k, library gave 100k – campus wants a proposal to renovate the entire library for 1.2 million – integrate all print – replacing doors,
going with one service desk, new lighting – assuming they will fund at least the 4th and 5th floor. Very much on a fast track – want it accomplished in one year – already have 1 million from the legislature for the building
We have a wish-list of resources – purchased 6,000 tokens from Wiley after cancelling 150k, kept 20 highest usage (each token is 12.50), folks are loving it, moving towards patron driven acquisitions model – thinks this is the way of the future

Theresa – UTC
Student Fee – a Library student fee of 25.00 per student, per semester went into play this Fall, approximately 500,000 in new money – used to cover existing 250 deficit in materials and then saving for new building
Senate Resolution - Library Senate Committee moved a resolution to the full Faculty Senate requesting inflation funding for materials, unanimously passed, now to wait and see if the campus will fund it.
Collection Review – in final phase of review of the circulating book collection, over 70 faculty have participated to date.
WMS – hope to implement OCLC’s WMS for Fall 2012 start
New Building – original move in date of July 15, 2013 is being pushed back, no one is happy, going to meet and July for construction update
SACS – UTC successful went through the SACS Accreditation process.

Joe – Austin Peay
No cuts in past few years, using one-time, project money, etc
Going to review General Education curriculum
Starbucks opened in February – noise increase was exponential

Doug – Tennessee Tech
President search
Strategic planning – working on library reorganization – searching for ER Librarian and Head of Public Services
Flat budget, facing significant cuts – put together group of librarians and teaching faculty – want to look at entire process from top to bottom – get the right stuff

Sylverna – Memphis
3 faculty searches
Celebrating 100 Anniversary this year – faculty convocation – reception in the library – unveiling of the bronze tiger
Migrating to Sierra in the Fall
Lambuth campus is alive and well

Stuart - Motlow
Films on Demand is finally working, and will soon work elsewhere
Getting rid of microfilm

Scott – UT Law
Hiring a head of IT, which has been vacant for two years
Starting to coordinate first year teaching experience
Peter Nerzak – Pellissippi
Budget is the same
Survey faculty – 60 replies so far – LibQual – faculty didn’t like web pages
Interviewed in campus space survey – want to create other spaces
SACS – did well – did not like that librarians were not at off site campuses
Chinese language collection – 10k books
Increased hours from 730 to 9.
TBR – RODP Academy – library academy is part of this

Duncan – Northeast State
Renovating two off campus facilities – Johnson City and Bristol – maybe September
Migrating to Sierra – January 2013
On ETSU search committee for dean

Louise Kelly – Volunteer State
New president coming
Freshman Experience Track – first time freshman – get extra academic support in these tracks

Allan Goslan – Cleveland State
Mary Evelyn retired
Flat budget
Librarian positions – hoping to move from 10 to 11 months

Robbie Benson – Roane State
President retiring
New building on Oak Ridge Campus (allied health), and will be renovating the Library space as space is now opening up.
Video conferencing unit – Tanberg - - plan is to have virtual chats – easy to screenshare – 7k each
Withdraw 6-7k books – we haven’t weeded in 20 years
Mobile learning is consuming lots of mental space

Suresh
Thank you for the Resource Sharing Award
Short 240k – dean is going to make it up, give me base budget and don’t cancel
New President – previously with THEC - spending a week in each school

Faye – Nashville
Pinterest – exhibiting books and online exhibits
Two new centers – Clarkville and Antioch – September
Running ipad program – struggling to buy apps
Also run the learning center – doing a workshop on note taking for nurses

Mary – UTM
Is getting some inflation money – modest
Looking at merit raises
Migrating to Sierra
Seeing staff turnover with folks retiring
SACS visit coming – QEP is on information literacy
Doing live chat
Embedding librarians in nursing classes
ECHO 360 classroom? – capture instruction and embed in blackboard
Doing lots of high school outreach
Roof leaking

Bonnie Allen – MTSU
One month on the job
3 open department head position – IT, CD, Curriculum (there are only 4)
Looking at migrating to Sierra (June of next year)
Expanding hours to 7am to 2am (previously midnight)
Received inflation for last 4 years
Want to create a Center for Digitization
Looking to revamp services for commuter students
Enrollment at 27,000 seems to be plateauing
New student union, groundbreaking for science building, education building just opened
Interests are international librarianship, collection development, technology

Tenn-Share Update
• Robbie is Vice-President of Tenn-Share
• In transition – Penny and DeAnne are out or on their way out, only two staff and founding
• Meliisa Brennanman is current president, coordinated strategic planning retreat
  o Suresh, Sandy, and Joe all there
  o Hired a consultant - want to run TS like a non-profit
  o State-wide courier project – first project to initiate and manage directly
  o Pared down the mission statement
  o Major challenge is a stable funding stream
  o Majority of TS is k-12 school, hard to reach and no money
  o Looking at other consortia models
  o Getting a handle on new acquisition models - more on that coming
  o Hiring a new executive director – please distribute widely – one person to do both functions  direct and coordinate databases

Courier Update
• Theresa on Committee, gave update
• Reviewing RFPs, should have up and running for the Fall
• State Library initially wanted to run own vans, but will participate fully now
• Watuga County example concern for smaller public

UT update on central purchasing
• Theresa reported that the most recent Nature was purchased centrally, everyone saved money,
  most increased access
Better World Books
- Sandy at UTK asked for input for schools that had used BWV
- UTC and Pellissippi shared experiences with BWB, positive
- Sandy working through legal issues of giving away or selling books
- She could buy them if you put them out to maintenance bid

UT/TBR Salary Survey
- Theresa asked the other deans and directors if they would participate in a state-wide salary survey to provide better comparisons for compression issues.
- Suresh – has a possible survey template
- Others suggestions include: checking in the Tennessean, Oklahoma State and CUPA

To do: Suresh to send TL sample template
      TL to send out survey

UT/TBR Borrower Cards
- Theresa reported as UTC is currently coordinating this program
- Out of cards and need to order more.
- Not sure why, but some schools are requesting them by the hundreds
- UTC already paid for the first round of new cards, but is almost out again
- TALC has a web site
- TL will price out new cards
- New orders will be charged by the card?
- Perhaps establish a minimum or maximum number of cards?
- Discussion of whether cards could be put online?
- Discussion of whether this should be a statewide program?
- Can follow-up at next meeting

To do: TL get cost estimate per card

Materials Budget and Patron Driven Acquisitions
- General discussion on materials budgets and PDAs
- Serials
- Books versus Ebook, and associated platforms
- Media
- Ebook readers
  - Most are purchasing large collections, not much individually
  - EBSCO now doing 7 days
    - Robbie is looking to upgrade the licenses for heavy use titles to unlimited users
  - Publishers are behind what they need
  - Xplana – five year report
  - EBL
Does it make sense to lease or own books – community college says access is more important than the hassle of ownership - is this true for all levels – do we care about the history of a topic, should we only care about what we use

Look at digital preservation, no one seems too worried about photographs, journals – but there is portico and others who are preserving it permanently

Serials – UTK used tokens with Wiley – not using anymore

Pay per Use for Elsevier – the demand exceed the budget

Does this work better for medical libraries because there titles are so expensive, and thus the token is so much cheaper

Is it important to have your catalog reflect all available titles