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Minutes: Previously approved through email

Old Business:

- Update from UT Electronic Resources Group:
  - Accessibility
  - ILL – It needs to be included in the TALC agreements that there is free lending between Tennessee Libraries.
  - TBR Group/Gang of 6– Are there opportunities to work with them? Should discussions of shared storage of academic materials be reinvigorated with 4 year schools? We should explore if we can get one-time funding then figure out how to fund staffing and annual maintenance. Maybe private/public collaboration to incorporate Vanderbilt? Are there opportunities for collaborative collection development? Tenn-Share probably not an option since their resources are restrained.
  - The UT system is requesting to be removed from the negotiation and payment system.

- Update on UT Accessibility Initiative
  - TBR is being much more proactive… maybe we can piggyback on it?
  - At UT, National Federation for the Blind continually questioning whether the resources offered are compliant with disability requirements.
  - Do we want to pursue detailed work like TBR on accessibility or should we just stand with what we have? Decision is the latter, as vendors are working on ensuring accessibility issues are minimized within their products.

- Update on PARRSL
  - “Dead in the water.”

- Disaster/recovery plans
  - Sharing our disaster/recover plans (Due at the end of the year)
    - Put on UTLC website for people to review?
  - Should we fund speaker on disaster/recovery training for the next UTLC meeting?
  - Develop MOUs to support each other in emergencies
• Memphis Med Center – disaster plan designed for print library, but they are now mainly digital. It needs revision and updating. UTC is also working on theirs, which is a role based plan. Disaster response is different depending on situation, i.e. response for active shooter very different from one for tornado.

• How do we support each other? Can we pool resources and get a speaker to present to us? Maybe Dan Wilson…

• How can we help each other in the event of disaster? Since many resources are digital, we are primarily talking print materials.

• Chemical spills, tornadoes, earthquakes, most common disasters. Use these to structure our thinking?

• Use UTLC site to load disaster manuals so we have a common place to peruse them. Need to include language saying we will support each other during a disaster. Action item: when we have completed our plans we need to get them loaded.

• Shared InterLibrary Loan policy
  o UT version of LVIS (Libraries Very Interested in Sharing)?
  o Randall Watts is working on initiative above, so we should wait until his research/proposal is complete. Since we already lend for free, it is not much of a critical issue.

**New Business:**

• Promotion and Tenure Policies
  UT-Memphis, librarians have rank and promotion but not tenure, independent from med center. UT-Medical, same rank and promotion status but their tenure and promotion goes through medical school. UT-Law School has tenure and rank and form own committee, but when they don’t have enough of the right rank, they turn to UT. Part of challenge is that we are not even in the same situation as other librarians within the UT system. While it may be difficult to work together on system-wide standards due to politics within respective libraries, we do need to strengthen existing systems to clearly demonstrate the value of librarians. The challenge is that the librarian’s case for tenure would differ greatly from that of most other faculty members. UT med libraries have librarianship, research and scholarship, service, and clinical. If we don’t have enough people of the right rank, we can ask for assistance from other system libraries. We could also conduct a survey on promotion and tenure, but we need to do this quietly as we want to stay off the radar. As an action item, we will be sharing our promotion and tenure policies and procedures.
• TALC
TALC wants to get rid of library cards. Reciprocal agreements need to show this change. School IDs will suffice to use resources at another academic library. ILL materials will be shared for free within state. TBR students can use their cards at UT system libraries as long as they can show they are current students.

• Campus reports

University of Tennessee Medical Library
  • Preston Medical Library
    • 50 Years of Service
    • 8,000 plus ejournals, 4500 print books, 400 ebooks
    • Faculty collaboration in publication support and course development
    • Participants in the Magnet Standard of Excellence
    • Fac. Status in 2008
    • 4 promoted to Associate Librarian
  • Health Information Center
    • 1600 square feet.
    • Books for patients and family members
    • Call, walk in, web form, email
    • Average 1,000 searches a year
    • In-room television service that provides access to videos
    • 3-minute segment on local television once a month marketing HIC
    • Leading Health Literacy Initiative at UTMC.
    • Institution-wide Health Literacy Assessment
    • On-going Health Literacy Initiative

Memphis Medical
  • 14 faculty, 10 staff

UT Law
  • struggling to support the use of ELEMENTS (computer evaluation system for faculty productivity that doesn’t fit librarians)
  • Director of Technology took off for a year so director is having to fill that role.
  • Teaching “Law Office Technology” class.

UTK
  • Also working with ELEMENTS and is having similar issues with application to librarians.
• Student Success Librarians (5 librarians focused on student retention and success, 3 hired in last year)
• New chancellor and provost
• Renovated largest reading room in Hodges Library
• Redoing staff office spaces, first time in 30 years
• 30 Years of the Hodges Library Celebration
• For homecoming, original manuscript of “Rocky Top” will be displayed
• November 16, Musicians in the Archives. Local musicians wrote song inspired by the Wilma Dykeman Archives.

UT Chattanooga

• On-going Health Literacy Initiative
• Lucian taking over IT (outsourced)
• Using Quality Matters
• New Faculty Handbook
• 1 New Position, 3rd person in studio
• 1-year position on tech training and graduate writing
• Migrating to ALMA
• Data Management Reviews for Campus going through Library
• Have a library fee that brings in about $600,000

UTM

• Access to the American Chemical Society’s Web Edition Journals database was restored.
• The EBSCO Discovery Service was acquired. This tool allows patrons to type in a search query and have all of the databases searched simultaneously. This process also required updating the library’s webpage.
• The Academic Search Premiere database has been upgraded to Academic Search Complete.
• JSTOR Arts & Sciences Collections X-XV, Business IV, Ecology & Botany II, and the Sustainability Collection have been added to the existing JSTOR holdings.
• JSTOR Books is being adopted for Demand/Patron Driven Acquisitions and Evidence Based Acquisitions.
• The library is constructing a video studio for student, staff, and faculty use which utilizes Penn State University’s One-Button Studio software.