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Student Government Association Library Committee Meeting Essence Notes

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Dean Mitchell reported several items taking place during finals week:

- The library stays open until midnight on Friday and Saturday before final exams.
- December 5, 6, 7, (5 - 6 pm) the Therapy Dogs will be in the library atrium to give students a break from studying.
- The computer lab on the first floor (Room 1308) will be open to offer 22 additional computers during finals week in order to accommodate the large number of students in the library needing computer access.
- Trash can be a problem for the custodians to keep up with during finals week. We urge students to be mindful when disposing of their trash.

The possibility of Zach’s Brews remaining open longer during finals week was discussed. Dean Mitchell stated that the library has no control over the hours Zach’s Brews maintains. He suggested that the students contact auxiliary services regarding this matter. He stated that perhaps the SGA Committee and the library might partner in the future to set up for coffee, etc. during finals when Zach’s Brews is closed. A coffee vending machine has recently been installed in the area of the vending machines on second floor. Natalie reported that she is on the Marketing and Communications Committee and she will get with the PR coordinator to share out this information to students.

The standing computer desk that has been installed in the LC has been widely used. Ruth reported that they are keeping a tally on usage. It was suggested that maybe more could be installed perhaps one at every table on the end.

Library parking and poor lighting were discussed. It was decided to direct a request to Dr. Leege in the Center of Sustainability regarding the currently LED lighting being installed around Sweetheart circle and ask if the library can be placed on a high priority for the lighting. Hood will be meeting with Dr. Leege and will follow up on this matter.

The possibility of having additional security inside and outside of the library during finals weeks was discussed. Dean Mitchell will follow up with Public Safety. Promoting the new Georgia Southern LiveSafe app in the library was also discussed. The library currently has posters regarding escort service and the new app offers options for escort service, maps, and visual view of the surround area. The library will prepare some promotional signs and also check on other options for promoting the app.

A brief discussion took place about the recent article in the GeorgeAnne regarding the library’s budget.

Dean Mitchell will check into a report that several electrical outlets on the 3rd floor were not working.

Dean Mitchell discussed the upcoming Remnant Trust Exhibit and the Great Minds lecture series to be held in conjunction with the exhibit. He also issued an invitation to the committee to attend the opening reception on January 17th.

The Admin office will coordinate a date for the next committee meeting sometime in January.