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Library Liaisons Meeting Essence Notes

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Attending: Bede Mitchell, Debra Skinner, Lori Gwinett, Lisa Smith, Jocelyn Poole, Kay Coates, Bob Fernekes, Jeff Mortimore, Lili Li, Tony Ard, Ruth Baker, Rebecca Ziegler, Fred Smith, Paolo Gujilde, Jessica Minihan, Alva Wilbanks

**Serials Conversion to Online Format:**
Jessica reviewed a continuations list of serials denoting print cost versus online cost (if available on line), usage, and the department’s recommendation whether to convert to online or retain the print version. Following discussion regarding several titles, it was decided that Jessica will forward the Excel report to faculty. Liaisons are to review and discuss any items of concern with their departments prior to a final decision being made in April.

**Resource Usage Statistics:**
Jessica reported on a libguide located under Paolo’s Collection Development, labeled Resource Usage Data. The libguide will track our resource usage statistics and will be continually updated.

**Newsletter:**
Paolo reported that the next newsletter will go out around February 8th. Items to be featured in this electronic edition will be the introduction of Overdrive, the Credo Information Literature Modules, and the QEP workshops schedule. Lori questioned how the newsletter might be used by the liaisons to add information directed specifically to their particular departments. More discussion on this topic at a future meeting. Paolo and Jeff will work on creating a separate template for adding and/or editing sections that would be connected in some way to the main newsletter. For now, liaisons could write specific information in the body of the email.

**Introduction of Overdrive:**
Paolo gave a presentation on the new Overdrive subscription OverDrive@GeorgiaSouthern. Promotion of Overdrive will kick off on February 3rd. With Overdrive you can browse, check out, and read or listen to popular fiction and nonfiction books on your computer and mobile devices. In addition, mobile apps are available for devices such as Android, Kindle, Nook and the Iphone. Paolo gave the group a preview of how to navigate the system, noting that items (limit of 3) may be checked out for 14 days, and are returned automatically at the end of the checkout period. At present, the Overdrive access point is available in the catalog A-Z list and on the LibGuides A-Z database list. Whether to add access on the library’s homepage will be reviewed at a later date.

**Report from Discovery Services and Date Curation Librarian:**
Jeff distributed literature regarding ICPSR summer programs and expressed thanks to all who have helped promote the web usability study.

**Upcoming DMPT Tool and New Selected Works Training:** Monday, February 15th, 4 - 5 pm, Jeff and Ashley Lowery will present training on the DMPT Tool and the new Selected Works. All interested faculty are invited to attend.
**Database Assets/Subject Assignments:**

Jeff reported on the following:

- On the A-Z list most of the subject assignments have been completed.
- Language decided upon to use in the box at the top: “Ask a Librarian”.
- Let the E-team know of any changes you wish to make to your guide at any time.
- Anytime a new database is added, a questionnaire will be sent to faculty to see if you wish to have the database added to their subjects.
- Pending: Update of database links on the research guides and replace with assets where possible. When any changes are made to the link, it can be made centrally. All of the libguides are matched to the discover box on the template guide, therefore, most all of the links across the guides can be changed in a matter of minutes all at one time. Faculty are encouraged to replace unmapped database links with assets. Contact Ruth or Jeff for assistance.
- A page with thesis and dissertation resources has been prepared and published to the template guide under “Other Resources”.

**Discovery Service Update:**

- Numerous updates have been made to full text linking.
- Based on the results of a recent survey, the library *collection limiter preselected* is now available and now functional. A demonstration of the limiter was presented.
- Request to have the ILL link as a reliable last option. This will give information from what database the search generated.

**Announcements:**

Latino American - February 3rd, The New Latinos, 7pm - 9pm Nessmith-Lane Assembly Hall.

Next Meeting Date: March 7th, 4:00 pm.