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Library Faculty Meetings Essence Notes

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Ann Hamilton chaired the meeting and adjusted the agenda to accommodate faculty who would be arriving late to the meeting.

**Announcements:**
- Congratulations was extended to Paolo Gujilde who has been chosen as one of the 2015 ALA Emerging Leaders.
- Bob Fernekes has been asked to serve on the Search Committee for the COGS Associate Dean position by Charles Patterson.
- Bob also announced that COBA has offered one of its new Bloomberg Terminal software licenses to be installed on a library computer.
- David announced that the ITAC committee has created a survey for the “MyGeorgiaSouthern” page. ([https://je.qualtrics.com/form/SV_7Nxi5SVqAg6vAh](https://je.qualtrics.com/form/SV_7Nxi5SVqAg6vAh)) Faculty and staff will have the option of testing the new site. Those that participate may enter a drawing for gift cards from the University Store.
- Ann announced that the GALILEO office has set up a GALILEO Facebook page that should be active soon.
- Ann reported that last week’s meeting of the SGA Library Advisory Committee included a lot of good suggestions.
- Katrina reported that Special Collections has shifted their offices. Her office is now Room 4208 and the Special Collections Office is now Room 4206.

**Faculty Senate & Other Campus Committee Reports:** No reports.

**Travel Reports:**
Ruth reported on COMO and highlighted several sessions of interest she attended. She also shared information flyers with the group.

Jocelyn reported on the annual Southeast Model African Union Conference at Clayton State University. Keynote speakers included H.E. Oliver Wonekha, ambassador of the Republic of Uganda and Dr. Michael Nwanze, founder of the Model African Union.

Debra reported on a four day training session in Valdosta for the NACO (Name Authority Cooperative Program of the Program for Cooperative Cataloging). The Library of Congress has expressed interest in training a Georgia cohort to create name authorities. Henderson Library is a good candidate for participation because we have lots of local name authority needs for Special Collections.

**Science Olympiad 2015:**
Ann reviewed the Olympiad information with the group and encouraged those interested to participate. An interest survey may be found at [http://tinyurl.com/krmjmj9](http://tinyurl.com/krmjmj9).

**Faculty Publications Area:**
In response to a faculty member’s encouragement for the library to establish a designated area for displaying faculty publications, Ann suggested the possibility of using the area located on second floor at the end of the building which overlooks the retaining wall, and indicating the area with signage. Discussion took place on the possibility of setting up such a collection similar to our browsing collection, having it on a rotating basis, and publicizing the area. The discussion brought out several points to consider. Although the collection would be mainly monographs, other points made included handling e-books, faculty art, etc. Paolo and Ashley are
working on a faculty publications section in Digital Commons. Katrina suggested displaying faculty publications on the top of the Browsing Shelves like we did with the Bridging Cultures Bookshelf: Muslim Journeys. We could publicize the exhibit and invite authors to contact us if they wish to be included. Any additional suggestions or comments may be sent to Ann.

**Library Policies Draft:**
Ann explained that the policy document being reviewed was part of a SACS related assignment she’d been given. Many libraries display their policies on their web pages. She showed the website for the Odum Library at Valdosta State as an example. The group viewed the Henderson Library Policies draft she had shared. She reminded everyone that David had copied and pasted most of the policies from different locations into the policies lists in the wiki. Ann has updated several policies and has simplified others. The following changes were suggested:

- Downloading Music: Change to *Downloading Media*
- Printing: Reword to *Printing by students is covered by Student Tech Fees administered by Information Technology Services.*
- Library Spaces: Add a section grouping rooms such as Group Study Rooms, Presentation Room, etc.
- Add Library Internal Policies to Digital Commons.

Ann will revise the draft and give faculty editing rights for making additional suggestions.