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Library Faculty Meeting Essence Notes

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Subscription Review Update: Jessica M. reported on two subscriptions being re-evaluated.

- Compendex database due to misleading data regarding usage. Compendex is one of the few engineering resources we have but the cost is expensive, $35,000 and the usage is low. Jessica G. will pull ILL statistics for review. The subscription survey feedback is due by March 10. No feedback has been received from the engineering department. Bede will talk with Mohammad Davoud at Deans Council regarding the usage and the high cost of the database ($833 per session).
- Knovel subscription was cancelled. Since then it has been requested by a professor wanting to use it for his classes. A decision was made that instead of purchasing the full subscription only those sections that are requested will be subscribed to.

Bede reported that following the deadline of March 10, the feedback received will be combined into a report and shared with the library faculty and the Senate Library Committee. He added that with the financial aide penalty the university will be required to pay our year-end funding becomes even more depleted.

Affordable Learning Georgia: Nikki Rech, who will be the campus coordinator for Affordable Learning Georgia, reviewed a Libguide she has created to promote the program. She asked that the liaisons assist her in populating the libguide in their specific disciplines either online or by sending her information to post.

Consolidation Discussion: Bede updated the faculty on the organizational meeting of the OWG (Organizational Work Groups), their progress and agreements. He stated that Jessica Garner will be taking notes for the work group and will share out asap following the meetings. Bede opened the floor for faculty to discuss what activities or functions they believe should be centralized and which should be provided on both campuses. Some of the suggestions followed:
- Consolidating shipments to the bindery
- Having one combined student base
- Technical services (cataloging and processing)
- Print periodicals
- Government Documents

Bede asked the faculty to continue to consider other items to add to the list for discussion. Other topics voiced were the possibility of a shuttle between the campuses and a possible floating book arrangement.

Announcements:

Bede announced that the search for Head of Information Services has selected two candidates for campus interviews to be held on March 20 and 22. He will share their documents with the faculty prior to the visits.