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GS Libraries Department Heads Meeting Essence Notes

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Library Department Heads Meeting 2/7/18

Attendees: Beth Burnett, Paula Fowler, Doug Frazier, Ann Fuller, Jessica Garner, Leslie Haas, David Lowder, Dean Mitchell, Aimee Reist, Debra Skinner, Fred Smith

Deans Council Report - Dean Mitchell

Provost Cone and Chris Curtis reported that the President's Cabinet received a presentation of SWOT analyses from both faculty senates, both student associations, and both staff councils

All responses: There has not been enough transparent communication

Students: Need fewer emails and more videos

Faculty: Should be more consultation with faculty; confusion about who to contact on each campus about various matters

Provost Cone asked the Deans to post directories on the Georgia Southern website indicating who does what and where they are located (which campus); Dean Mitchell is satisfied with the directories for the libraries and will discuss with Provost Cone

Staff reviews will be paper-based this year and the form and further information will be available soon

A task force is being formed and chaired by Becky da Cruz to address morale issues at the Armstrong campus; "Weeks of Welcome" are being planned

Consolidation Task Forces - Progress Reports - Dean Mitchell

This was previously discussed at the Library Faculty Meeting on 2/5/18

Beth Burnett added that the Resource Management Task Force met yesterday and came up with recommendations

Trip to Liberty Center - Dean Mitchell

Planned for 3/7/18 10am

Agenda includes meeting with Dr. Kempson, Director of the Liberty Center; conducting Libraries Department Heads Meeting; afternoon visits to local public library and Savannah Tech library

Action: Paula Fowler to book mini van from Enterprise for transportation from Statesboro

Department Reports

Leslie Haas – the Research Services and Special Collections positions have been posted

Questions, Old & New Business/Announcements

Aimee Reist attended breakfast hosted by President Hebert this morning; discussion included human impact of consolidation