

Committee Report Form | YSU

COVER SHEET TO BE ATTACHED TO ALL REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE ACADEMIC SENATE

Date Senate Meeting Date Report # (Senate Use Only)
Intended Action: Informational_x_ Senate Vote Consultative/Advisory
Name of Committee Submitting Report:
Library Committee
Committee Status: (elected chartered, appointed chartered, ad hoc, etc.)
Appointed Chartered
Names of Committee Members
In attendance: Johnathan Farris (CCCA, committee chair), Christine Adams (Admin.), Ana Torres (Admin.), Richard Deschenes (STEM), Kimberly Pleva (WCBA), Radar Riegel (Student)
Elected Members
Appointed Members

Please write a brief summary of the report the Committee is submitting to the Senate:

Library Directors Adams and Torres gave the committee informational briefings on what was going on in Maag and beyond. Of note is the probably moving of Student Support Services into Maag. As a result, space within the building is being made to accommodate the proposed move. This is involving deaccessioning some of Maag's collections. The process would outlined—evaluation for weeding the collection is done by subject area, published date, and last time circulated. Fields where current information is most relevant are prioritized and fields where information being somewhat timeless (i.e. historical disciplines) are not priorities. To be on the deaccession category, generally a work has to be older than 2000, not circulated since 2000, and present in more than a certain quantity on OhioLink. Additional pandemic related funds have gone into acquiring ebooks for OhioLink. Service desks have been merged to make the desk an all-purpose information hub. Over winter break, carpeting will be installed in previously uncarpeted areas. Also, the reopening of the Melnick Medical Museum has been reopened in Cushwa Tuesday through Friday afternoons.

In the second part of the meeting, Farris recounted his experiences in trying to find out how other university libraries dealt with subject area allocations. He had most success in talking with Carmelita Pickett, Associate University Librarian of Scholarly Resources and Content Strategy at the University of Virginia, who had also previously worked at University of Iowa and Texas A & M. She has leant insight into how switching to a "single-pot" system for allocations has much simplified the process at Texas A&M and U.Va. She provided an article on the experience of Texas A&M, which Farris distributed to his fellow committee members to read and see if it is a feasible model for YSU. At the time of this writing, the chair has received on response. The committee will be reconvened when members are ready to discuss this proposal or at the beginning of next semester, whichever comes first.

If substantive changes in your committee recommendation are made from the floor, would the committee prefer that the matter be sent back to committee for further consideration?

Introduction and Rationale

N/A

Revised Policy/Policies (when applicable)

Type revised policy here

N/A

Recommendation

N/A