

Present: Dave Scott, Melinda Isler, Stacy Anderson, Kristy Motz, Fran Rosen, Rick Bearden, Yuri Konovalov, Scott Atwell, Ann Breitenwischer, Leah Monger, Ali Konieczny

Yuri passed out information about changing how we handle material types in the online catalog so that we can limit searches by material types. Also, we can add some material types to make searching more useful. Encore displays the material type as a label and it would be good if the information displayed was more accurate. Yuri explained that the project has two phases: we can create the new labels first and then replace the icons. Yuri is working with Media Productions to create the new icons but that isn't done yet. Yuri stressed that the goal is to make our searches more precise.

Yuri explained that some of the new material types will correspond to currently existing ones, and some will be new. There was some discussion about the material types. Stacy said the Electronic Resources Group has talked about this a lot and she thinks it is time to try it out & see how it works. Yuri pointed out that the wording of the labels can be easily changed. Ali mentioned that it is difficult to find anatomy models in the catalog so it might be good to have a material type for them; she & Yuri will discuss this more to see what is the best solution.

Yuri has discussed this plan with the other FerrisNet libraries. Rick asked if we could approve Yuri to move forward on this project, realizing that there still might be some adjustments to be made. Everybody agreed and Yuri promised that next we would do the icons.

Leah reported from Dean's Council. She said that at the 2 most recent meetings the Deans have discussed open faculty positions and all have been approved. At the Dean's Council meeting on Nov. 23rd they had an update from John Urbanik and Scott Thede. Mostly they talked about the merging of TAC and CTS. They have a fairly preliminary plan and John will be back to see the Dean's early in the Spring 2011 semester. Don Green spoke to the Deans about what is going on off-campus and the need to make sure there is coordination between CPTS and the other colleges when programs & courses are taken off campus. Leah said there are very preliminary plans for Arts & Sciences, Allied Health & Pharmacy to create an MS in Applied Genetics, and also there are some plans to partner with a Community College to create a Water Engineering degree. Also, Bill Potter distributed a report on academic advising.

Kristy reported that we had 87/95 FSUS sections come to the library and meet with a librarian to learn about the library; in addition 5 more came on their own so the total of FSUS classes that learned about the library was 92/95, which is 97%. Melinda said she is meeting/has met with 23 or 24. Kristy mentioned a couple of professors who did not bring their FSUS class. There was some discussion about the new FSUS section for non-traditional & transfer students; Kristy reported that they met twice/week and were done

half-way through the semester and she thinks we may see more of that way of scheduling FSUS.

Rick noted that the new Optometry Building will be live & in use for Spring semester. Their computer lab is putting in the same public printing system as FLITE has and their cards will be usable in FLITE & vice versa.

Rick said the mobile version of the catalog is installed and they are testing it. He has asked for some simplified URLs for the FerrisNet libraries but hadn't heard back from Millennium yet. Rick said the web team's primary goals for Spring semester are to create a number of mobile friendly web pages.

Stacy reported that the EMAT committee is concerned about online learning. They have been tasked with developing a mission and a plan for how FSU is going to tackle online education going forward.

Leah said they want some faculty to pilot the new Blackboard & Stacy said that Ali will be working with faculty who are piloting it. Stacy also urged us that if there are faculty in our liaison area who are piloting the new Blackboard we get involved & see how library resources can be brought into the classes. Stacy said the full version of Blackboard allows for a universal library tab & we need to advocate for that; she said that the limitations on the pilot are because it is hosted by Blackboard and they are imposing some restrictions.