

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

Leah reported from Dean's Council on 11/10

She said there was a Rep. from Veteran Affairs who congratulated FSU for being veteran friendly. There was an update on the flu, and a very brief discussion about the behavior assessment & threat assessment policies. They are looking for suggestions for Honorary Doctorates. Examples of the planning templates for next year were shown, and they will be mailed out soon. Michelle Johnston mentioned a book on higher education & that everybody should see the 2nd edition when it comes out.

Rick had mailed out the draft charge for the Electronic Resources Group. Rick said that over the past 1 ½-2 yrs a group of librarians have met to try to coordinate between public services, technical services, and vendors to help manage our resources so that users can get to content. The charge would formalize the group; also it would fold in the Catalog Group that was created with a very specific charge to look at whether to purchase Encore. That Catalog Group can be disbanded, and the ERG will have the responsibility of looking at the catalog and pulling together a group to deal with catalog issues as required. Rick said he wanted to be sure that the charge is adequate, complete & makes sense.

There was some discussion about how the RIS representatives to the ERG would be chosen and the conclusion was that RIS would figure that out. Ann asked about non-FLITE participation and Rick said this is a library committee but we could ask for outside participation/input as required. There was some discussion about purpose and communication, Rick pointed out that Leah is the chair and big questions/issues should go to her. When the ERG was established one important role for the RIS member was to bring information to the ERG from RIS & back to RIS from the ERG and this will continue. Specific requests about the collection and acquiring electronic resources would still go to Fran. Rick stressed that the point of the ERG is to facilitate getting resources to work and communication about resources. Melinda asked how the membership had changed; Randall explained that he felt he didn't need to be a member but that RIS librarians who have significant public service responsibilities should be represented. The charge was accepted. The membership of the ERG now includes Stacy Anderson and Scott Atwell, and no longer includes Randall.

The FLITE Assessment team distributed an initial list of questions to use in the focus groups they are planning to have with students in the Spring semester. Focus groups were done with faculty after the LibQual survey, but not with students. Randall said the information we get from these focus groups can help us learn what questions we should ask the next time we do LibQual, plus it will show that we are doing assessment and we

will learn from the students. There was general discussion about the procedures to be used, how will student participants be found, what students will be in the focus groups, what about distance education students, etc. There was some discussion about what we can learn from students who don't use the library. The Assessment group will try to reach students in many different ways. There was some discussion about the proposed questions. Several librarians felt the questions were too much geared towards students who are regular library users, and there was some discussion about how to have questions that will draw out information from students who are not as experienced with library services. Assessment Team members pointed out that the questions are starting points and a focus group can end up going in different directions. Dave said that he approached the professor who teaches a class in the College of Business on Focus Groups but their plans are already set for the Spring; and a couple of people mentioned they knew professional focus group facilitators.

Dave reported that Dave, Fran & Kristy met with the folks at the Faculty Center to discuss a program on copyright. The Faculty Center is amenable to co-sponsor and help organize an event. They suggested doing it in May right after the end of the semester; they said that is a good time to get faculty participation. Dave & co will work on an outline and get it to the Faculty Center.