LMDC Minutes

February 1, 2016

LMC 15/15:03

Present: D. Barr, A. Chapman-Adissho, N. Dennis, N. George, S. Kudrimoti, Z. Newell, J. Soohoo, L. Mulman, N. Scottgale.

Old Business

Laura Quilter Update

Laura is scheduled to speak on copyright and fair use on Wednesday, February 24. Derek Barr will set up an Event Brite for registration and arrange parking with campus police. Nancy George will send the NOBLE libraries a notice of the presentation. Gail Rankin will help pay for the refreshments.

New Business

My suggested text:

Faculty A.Chapman-Adisho voiced concerns about difficulties accessing library databases from offcampus locations. In addition, she expressed her concerns regarding the elimination of electronic resources without faculty notification, either before or after the cuts were made. It was requested by faculty members present that there be more transparency in faculty notification regarding library resource non-renewals and cuts.

Z. Newell, N. George, and NCD explained that due to last minute drastic budget cutbacks imposed by the administration last summer (after FY16 had begun), library staff was forced to make immediate cuts and used their best judgment in making these cuts.

In terms of off-campus access to databases, Nancy George explained that the recent difficulties were due to IT's proxy server issues. She shared advice on overcoming proxy server access problems until IT's issues are resolved.

Discussion followed. It was recommended to continue this discussion at the next LMDC meeting.