**UBC Library – Library Student Advisory Committee Minutes**

**October 21, 2013, 5:00 to 6:30 pm**

**240A, Irving K. Barber Learning Centre**

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| **Present:** Kristen Carter, Kai Ying Chieh, Teri Grant, Arooj Hayat, Nasrin Himani, Silvia Leung , Julie Mitchell, Hanna Murray, Ingrid Parent, Espen Stranger-Johannessen, James Watson, Michelle Weinstein | | |
| **Chairs:** Julie Mitchell, Teri Grant **Recorder:** Teri Grant | | |
| **Agenda Item** | **Summary** | **Action** |
| 1. Introductions | * Brief introductions of faculty and year. | FYI |
| 1. Welcome from Ingrid Parent | * Libraries are evolving, and this committee is an important source of information about how UBC Library is engaging in this evolution. | FYI |
| 1. Welcome Activity | * + - “Things in Common” | FYI |
| 1. Library Overview & LSAC Accomplishments | * Presentation by Julie Mitchell about the activities and scope of UBC Library over the last year. Included a quick summary of accomplishments made by the 2012-2013 Library Student Advisory Committee (including securing a Graduating Students Fund of $5000 for the IKBLC Multimedia Rooms). | FYI |
| 1. LSAC 2013/14 Vision Exercise | Open discussion in small groups to answer the questions:   1. What do you **like** about UBC Library? 2. What do you **not like** about UBC Library? 3. What would you **change** or **add** to UBC Library?   Group 1   * What do you like about UBC Library? * Reference help * Grad research room * Computers * Quiet study rooms/spaces * Books collection * Good online access to journal papers * Tutoring services * What do you not like about UBC Library? * Database searches (often illogical search findings) * Some libraries without cafes * Limited library hours during weekends and the summer * Lack of quiet study spaces (individual and grou0) * Lack of storage spaces (lockers) * Hard to book rooms (fill up very quickly) * Lack of queue system for reserving books * What would you change or add to UBC Library? * Storage space for students * More eating – study spaces (better separation) * Greater access to collection development * Less focus on socializing in library spaces * Greater enforcement of “quiet” in quiet study spaces   Group 2   * What do you like about UBC Library? * Silent areas * Bookable study places * Website is easy to use * Database access – the best – but ebrary direct? * People are very helpful * What do you not like about UBC Library? * Lack of silence * Search function is not “smart” * Distribution of seating (one person taking up a whole table) * Sleeping people… * What would you change or add to UBC Library? * Download .ris/.bib for publications * More signage to indicate where quiet study spaces are * More/greater range of software (specialization/privileges for people who need it?) * No food in Koerner!   Group 3   * What do you like about UBC Library? * Electronic media access * Amount of social/”noisy” places – variety in IKBLC (and the furniture) * Book collection * Service is great! * What do you not like about UBC Library? * Difficulty getting to stacks * Not enough artwork/visual pleasantness * Food? * Websearch not great for library materials * Printers break down too often ☹ - printing system machines are too picky * Library hours ☹ * What would you change or add to UBC Library? * Bring back cushiony orange chairs in IKBLC! * More ‘private’ space in Koerner (extension of balance as in IKBLC) * Maps showing study space (instead of/supplementing just call # maps) * More rotating exhibits/display stuff (not just books – should include maps, art, etc.) | * Teri Grant and Julie Mitchell to review feedback and identify ‘theme’ areas for Library Student Advisory Committee to discuss and prioritize during the November meeting. |
| 6. Wrap Up and Photo | * Took group photo for the Library website. | FYI |
| **Meeting Adjourned**: 6:30pm | | |
| **Next Meeting:** TBA – Likely November 18 | | |
| **Recorder:** Teri Grant | | |