

LIBRARY SERVICES COMMITTEE
Minutes for January 11, 2005

In attendance: Dana Antonucci, Meredith Bouchard, Jason Torre, Maryanne Vigneaux

MIND AND SPIRITS:

Dana reported that Elaine Hoffman will give a presentation on her sabbatical study (religious icons and art related to Succoth) on either February 15 or 16. This will be held in Javits Room at 1:00 and will include a power point program followed by kosher refreshments including apple cider and fresh vegetables.

LIBRARY ISSUES FORUM:

The January 27th Forum will be announced in the Library Bulletin. The following staff have been notified to give a report on conferences/meeting attended since September 2004: Sherry Chang, Janet Clarke, Chris Filstrup, Min-Huei Lu, Donna Sammis, and Helene Volat.

The February 3rd Forum will be held in the large conference with the topic of discussion to be "How will Google's project to scan library books affect us?" The web address which includes press releases will be the starting point of an informal discussion to be led by Jason. Staff will be notified in the Library Bulletin.

In March, a program on ergonomics to be held in Javits Room will be coordinated by Maryanne. Louis Mancuso (Environmental Health & Safety) and Allison Milano (Manager of the Wellness Center) will each take part in this. The program will include a power point, demonstrations, and audience participation.

The April 7th Forum will be a discussion of foreign libraries based on the experiences of staff. A call for participants will be put into a Library Bulletin. Before scheduling a forum on the topic of Publishing Material (specifically how to re-write policies as A & P Guidelines) the committee will wait for recommendations that come from a faculty meeting.

In May, Dan Kinney has been requested to share his sabbatical work on renovating organs and other scholarly studies.

NEW STAFF WELCOME:

The LSC will assist the Social Committee in planning the gathering to be held in February to introduce and socialize with the new staff.

PROJECT WELCOMING STUDENTS IN FALL:

This will require more discussion and planning as to whether it should be undertaken. There are already many opportunities for students to receive information at the fairs during Opening week. Dana stated we could model our efforts after Penn State and have booths where students could learn about the various resources the libraries offer (logging on off campus, setting up ILL Express account . . .).

NEW STAFF ORIENTATION:

The revisions that LSC made will be sent to Germaine who will hand out to supervisors. Changes: Gisele's last name, add wording "supervisors speak with Maryanne to arrange a lunch with 2-3 other colleagues", take University Club, add "one copy of the Orientation Evaluation form needs to be forwarded to the chair of LSC".

NEXT MEETING: February 8, 2005, 2:00 pm, small conference room in Director's Office.