

URSUS DIRECTORS MEETING

January 18, 2019

DRAFT Minutes

Marianne Thibodeau, Christine Iaconeta, Jamie Ritter, Leslie Kelly, Roger Getz, Stacey Brownlie, Ben Treat, David Nutty, Joyce Rumery, James Jackson Sanborn

Added items: Databases – EBSCO

Approve November Minutes (Ben)

Roger moves, Jamie Seconds, Unanimous approval of November 2018 Minutes

Maine InfoNet Report (James)

- Tinkering with the organizational structure of Minerva. There will be no process changes. Board make up issues will add a community college administrative layer.
- Added Merrill Memorial Library to Minerva
- Training at Millinocket PL. will go live next week on Mills.
- Encore discovery Bib locations mapping changed – item counts are getting closer.
- Each library has 2 major locations – a bib location for physical items, and a bib location for electronic items
- Sersol ejournal mapping – wants to move all libraries at one time – not perfect
- Name change on Classic Catalog

Discovery Layers – SUMMON (Recurrent)

- Discussion focused around discovery products. There are no new products on the market. EBSCO has offered reduced pricing for any library that wants their own instance of EDS, which has a new interface and name (unknown at this time).
- With the approaching end of the contract with Summon, it was decided that the Directors would ask the Reference Committee to explore what was currently available in the market and make a recommendation.
- Ben Treat was directed to contact the chair of the Reference Committee with the following charge: Please scan the Discovery Layer marketplace and tell the directors if we should seriously consider other vendors.

Announcements

- Senta Sellers new member of the URSUS Reference Committee from UMA. She is the Reference & Instruction Librarian at Nottage Library (Stacey)
- Joyce changing the job description for Reference Librarians to reflect Information Literacy Teaching. She will share completed description.

Dually-Enrolled Students and Intra-UMS Institutional Partnerships

(Joyce, Stacey, Leslie)

- Business School, Graduate & Professional Center, University of Maine School of Law (UMaine/USM partnerships)

Joyce met with two Business School Deans, Nick & Michael. There will be two positions that will have dual appointments. Joyce is writing the new job description. The Glickman Reference Librarian will meet with the Fogler Reference Librarian to work out the logistics.

- New building for the Law and Business Center. No definitive word or concept designs yet.
I didn't have any notes on this...☹
- *What shared resources might be the most likely to hover on the chopping block in the near future? –helps to know, when educating constituencies on home campus*
- *How do we deal with dual-enrolled courses/students/faculty in MaineStreet? in light of NECHE visit to UMFK and in the fall to UM-UMM.*
- *How do we teach people about what resources are available to them?*
- *How do we work with high school teachers and classes, etc.?*
- Joyce inquired with the VC for AA about the Hanover Report that was supposed to be ready by December. Other priorities presented themselves, thus the report was not commissioned. It will however be forthcoming.
- Cyber Security program at UMA. How to provide USM resources to UMA students is problematic as indicated by USM's Provost.

ACRL Framework & Ref Heads Retreat (Recurrent; Leslie, David)

- MLA is handling the registration for the event. Invitations to register as well as informational material went out to URSUS Library Directors. The second tier of invitations will include all other academic libraries in Maine. Finally if the 80 seats are not filled, the invitation will go out New England wide. All logistics are in place. David will send out a list of lodging accommodations that are reasonably priced.
- The URSUS Reference Committee meets the next day at USM for their retreat.

Advocacy with Local Stakeholders (Recurrent)

I have no notes on this.

Comments on Local Library Reports (Recurrent)

UMA – New Librarian, Donna Mayer, coming from Texas starts 2/4

- 20 Prisoners graduated w/BA degree
- Mini-maker space taking off. There is a little robot w/iPad
- Interim Library Director extended to 30th of January.

UMA – All is going well

USM – A former USM Librarian donated in his will 1500 rare books to the library with a \$.5 million dollar fund to support that collection.

UMM – We have our 4th set of stairs at the entrance of the Library!

Next Meeting: February 15 at MSL @ 10 am