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Library Forum Steering Committee Minutes

April 11, 2011 - 702 Olin Library

In attendance: Ceclia, Carla, Jessica, Rachel, Randi (notes)

Agenda:

Discussion of the past few programs. Success? Concerns?

Election Plans.

CDC week: Tuesday May 17th 9-10 am Mann 160

New Business? Concerns?

Past program discussion:

The past [ergonomics workshops](#) were discussed.

Jessica said people have found the topic and workshops helpful. Last week there was one session where 10 people attended, and another where although only two people attended - they both got a lot out of the session. Today's session was geared towards office workers and it was very well attended and it generated a lot of discussion.

A concern raised was the limited response to a workshop. Sadly, due to the timing of the workshops, only one student attended.

Susan Gibbons: "Why do students want to be in the library if they are not using the books?" on Wednesday, April 6, 2011

This event was standing room only it was so popular. She had an excellent powerpoint presentation which Randi will try to add to this wiki. Her chapter on students using the library can be found here: http://docushare.lib.rochester.edu/docushare/dsweb/Get/Version-44504/chapter_seven.pdf

It was nice to see how other institutions approach common problems/issues. University of Rochester received much more user feedback than Cornell. It was an inspiring and well informed lecture. She was an excellent speaker.

Library Forum Elections:

The date for people to nominate themselves or other is April 29th. This is a flexible date, however, four seats (2 academic, 2 non-academic) need to be filled by July 1st.

Everyone agreed that all staff are doing a lot of work during this tedious stage, and it may be hard for people to volunteer to serve on a

committee at this time.

A Brown Bag was mentioned to offer staff a chance to hear about the work we do, and ask questions and get more information about the commitment for Library Forum Steering Committee members.

In order to interest people: there will be a mailing to supervisors by Sandy Dhimitri, a flyer will go out to all staff with a Rosie the Riveter theme, current library forum members will talk to others one-to-one and suggest names for nomination, Gail will send an email to the academic listserve, and Anne will include a blurb about the Library Forum in an upcoming Take One.

Carla has already set up an listserve for library forum elections. She can transfer the ownership after July.

CDC Week

Cecilia will not be around for the International Panel on May 17th. Jessica volunteered to be the point person, and the speakers will introduce themselves.

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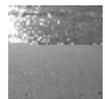
Randi update the committee on the work of CDC. At the last meeting, liaisons were assigned to each workshop/talk for CDC week.

New Business

We discussed creative ways to get staff interested in serving on the Library Forum.

Labels: None

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Gail Shannon Steinhart

Apr 15, 2011

Note on art and talent: possibility for next year is to invite people to bring their hobby, whatever it is, to broaden the scope of the event. We might get the participation of people who have a really interesting collection of something, for example.

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