

Library and Learning Resources Committee (LLRC)
Missouri S&T
Annual Report for 2016-2017

The library committee met twice.

Meeting 1 (Fall 2016)

1. Elsevier negotiation
 - This year our journal contract with Elsevier is up for renewal. The Library has been in a contract since 2008 with no cuts to this package.
 - Because this contract is over a third of S&T Library effective budget, it will be the focus of cuts for the year.
 - At the end of May each of the four campuses turned in a list of titles to keep or cancel for FY 2017.
 - Elsevier responded with three proposals, a separate one for each of MU's cut lists. Each proposal contained an option for one, three, or five year contracts.
 - For MS&T and UMSL, they said we were "ineligible" to receive the Freedom Collection in all proposals. In the third proposal, they said MU was also "ineligible."
 - The task force will continue to work with Elsevier on the proposals. Tracy was confident we will come to an agreement.
 - The final contract must be in place before the end of the year, but there is no set timeline.
2. Building plans

This was done with a firm from St. Louis (Arcturis). They involve a phased implementation of the learning commons and general building upgrades
3. Changes in archives

The archives became a unit of the library as of January 1, 2017. Debra Griffith was later hired as a full time archivist.
4. Upcoming personnel changes in the library

Tracy announced her retirement effective May 31 and a search committee was to be formed at that time.
5. Dr. Forciniti was elected as the chair of the library committee.

Meeting 2 (Spring)

There was an informal meeting in April to discuss budget changes. The committee discussed the budget cut and the response.

- The library did not receive a cut to its GRA budget but received an effective cut in that recurring one-time money has been discontinued. 2% of our total allocation for FY17 has been removed from The Library's budget. This amounts to \$57,460. This is a "give

back” and not a reduction to the base budget. Should there be a reduction to the base budget, it will occur in FY18. The Library elected to remove \$57,460 from the carry-over in our E&E budget. No cuts in collections were made in order to meet the requirement of giving back 2% of the Library’s total allocation

- The committee talked about how to implement what will be a large cut, in particular whether we want to target full-text resources or abstracting and indexing databases like Compendex. The committee agreed that retention of the full-text was the priority.
- The Library does not expect to have full budget information for FY18 until the end of May, but it is preparing to cut between \$100,000 and \$150,000 in collections, depending on our share of the budget reduction.

Respectfully submitted,

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