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Minutes of the Meeting of the Library, Media, and Information Systems Committee (LMIS)

Date: 2-29-08
Scheduled Time: 1:00 PM
Present: David Tinsley, Katherine Smith, Ariela Tubert, Randy Thornton, Patrick O'Neil, Alyce Demarais, Lori Ricigliano, Bill Dasher (Chair), Zaixin Hong, Peggy Firman

Meeting called to order at 1:06.

Minutes approved as electronically circulated.

1. P. Firman: Digital assets

Needs to locate a document she circulated containing important links and a draft of a policy. They have met once.   End game: We need a draft of a policy that we can work on, something people can discuss if they so wish. The need to survey the faculty. Impossibility of surveying people individually. DA means different things to different people. Sir Veymonkey available to us, if needed. How to define digital assets. M. Greene wants to work with Podcasts and IPod University. ZH asked about the technical solution for slides?

2. P. O'Neil: Head Librarian Search

PO: Where's the library search?
LR: They are checking references.

PO: Molly Tamarkin, the new CTO, will be here next week. LMIS will invite her to join us.

3.   L. Ricigliano: Copyright Policy (Committee: Alyce, Mott, Andrew, Lori)

LR: The draft is based on the policy of Grinnell College. The lawyers will have to vette it. Crucial for the University. Library and OIS have inquiries all the time. Nice to have a policy to refer to. Send it by the Senate, Communications, the legal counsel.

Intellectual property issues will be handled separately, but the feeling was that there should be one committee. Other issues: The need for a comment period. Questions concerning the provision regarding University's use of material. What does "royalty-free" mean? Use of syllabi and course materials after someone leaves? If it is done here, then the University has the right to use it. The person can take the work with them. They have no obligation to change it. Different for students. Conclusion: The Copyright policy will be run by legal and communications and then there will be a comment period.

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4. B. Dasher: Moodle

RT has circulated a draft of a report to the faculty. We will edit it in GoogleDocs rather than a Wiki. We will trust each other. We are all brothers and sisters of the greater digital universe. Subcommittee will edit it. Then it will go to LMIS, then it will go to the Senate. The Senate Liaison John Hanson express concerned that this is going on under the radar. It needs to be publicized so that people don't think this is being imposed on them. What's the timetable? R. Thornton: The issue has to do with allocation of budget and resources. BB license paid in July. Best guess: 12-18 months. With Molly coming in, other options may emerge. Bill's strategy: Take it to Senate and get faculty support. Then take it to Molly. His goal is to bring this to her as a high priority.   FS meetings to target: March 24 and April 7.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:52 PM.
Next meeting of LMIS: March 7, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

David Tinsley, FL&L