

Stony Brook University Senate Library Services Committee  
Minutes from the Meeting on 10/16/08

Present: Hongshik Ahn, Floris Cash, Janet Clarke, Fiona Grady, Julitta Jo, Stephen Koch, Lindsey Levitan, Judy Lochhead, Wolfgang Quitschke, Robert Shrock (Chair), Jason Torre, Chris Young

Absent: Jay Bock, Bushra Butt, Darren Chase, Bill Godfrey, Sean Moore

The Chair, Prof. Shrock, had previously circulated the minutes from our September meeting, and they were approved.

Dean and Director of Libraries Chris Filstrup was away attending a conference, so he submitted a written report on the library. This was presented by Janet Clarke of the Engineering Library. This report noted that the budget is unchanged since September, but that the library is subject to the current hiring freeze affecting the entire university. The 10 % cut of science, mathematics, and engineering journals has been completed. The report also included an update on interlibrary loans and access to these on the university library webpage. The chemistry library is scheduled to undergo a change in November: part of it will be moved to the space that was formerly occupied by the University Club, while the rest will be moved to the basement of the Chemistry building. Finally, the report mentioned a digitization program for archaeological site reports.

Fiona Grady then discussed and illustrated a number of enhancements of the online web portal for the library. There was also a detailed discussion of instructional tours and sessions for students and others concerning the use of the library resources.

Julitta Jo gave us an update on the Health Sciences Library, and there was then a general discussion about the connection of our committee with the HSL.

Our next meeting will shift back to our usual day, the second Thursday of the month, namely, Nov. 13.

These notes were taken by the Chair, Prof. Shrock and submitted on 10/16/08.