



Broward College - Florida Atlantic University
Joint Use Facility

**Library Advisory Committee Meeting
October 12, 2017**

Present at Meeting:

Voting Members	Guests
Genevieve Chung	Sunem Beaton-Garcia
Dominique Fuentes	Rich Ackerman
Elena Lazovskaia-Hall	Michelle Apps
Flavia Patino-Paul	Gayla Jauch
Silvia Ana Perez Barraza	Jan Rothhaar
Ashley Rivas	
Sherrie Sacharow	
Patricia Widener	
Patricia Willems	

The meeting was called to order at 10:05am by Dr. Sunem Beaton-Garcia, Dean of Libraries and Academic Success Centers for Broward College. The committee members and guests introduced themselves to the group.

Sunem noted that we have a new memorandum of understanding with FAU which went into effect on July 1, 2017 and she handed out copies of that document. The MOU outlines the restructuring of the University/College Library’s Library Advisory Committee (LAC) and our Governance/Policy Advisory Committee (GPAC). She discussed the role of this restructured committee and the hope to foster further collaboration between our two institutions. Sunem said this group is tasked with advising on the overall aspects of the library as well as collection development. She also discussed the need for this group to elect two faculty members (one from FAU and one from BC) who will represent this group at the GPAC meeting in November. The LAC will meet two times per year during each major term (fall and spring). The committee can choose to meet more often, as needed.

Associate Dean for Technical Services Rich Ackerman and Collection Development Librarian Michelle Apps gave an overview of our Technical Services Department, our electronic resources and specifically the role of the University/College Library’s Collection Development Committee. They answered several questions about the makeup of our collection and FAU’s access to electronic resources. Rich also pointed out that we are moving to a new catalog system called Sierra in July 2018 as part of a state-wide transition of all 40 colleges and universities. There will be more details to come on that project at the spring meeting of this committee.

Sunem noted that we will plan to have our spring LAC meeting downstairs in our computer lab. She would like to have our Associate Dean for Public Services Suzette Spencer meet the group and provide an overview of her area. This will also give the committee members an opportunity to check out our catalog.

Reference/Instruction Librarian Elena Hall gave an overview of the library's instructional services and discussed the opportunity for students to schedule one-on-one research appointments. Sunem suggested the group be sent a link with more information about instructional sessions.

Sunem asked our student representatives, Flavia Patino-Paul and Ashley Rivas to provide their experiences using the UCL from the student perspective and they both provided good insight as to how their professors did (or did not) utilize the library in teaching their classes. They both noted they felt their student experience would have been strengthened had they been more aware of the library's resources. Sunem stressed that a main priority of this group should be to help get the word out to faculty at both FAU and BC about the resources available to them at the UCL.

Patricia Willems inquired whether we have a video or link to a site to advertise our services in which case faculty could provide the link to students to make them aware of the library's resources. Sunem offered that Elena would be a great point person to work with Patricia on her ideas and needs.

Flavia inquired whether there is an option for students to do research appointments via Skype as many have busy schedules between classes and work. Sunem suggested this could be done if we're made aware of the needs when the student schedules the appointment. Elena will add this as an agenda item for the next UCL Faculty Librarians meeting and discuss this option with the librarians' team.

Dominique Fuentes asked about FAU students from other locations (Boca for example) using our e-resources. Rich did clarify that FAU students do have to physically come into our library one time (during their academic career) to "register" with us so they're in our system and are provided access.

Patricia Widener asked about space available for events inside or outside the library and Sunem noted we have space on the 4th floor for inside events. She also noted our GPAC has discussed holding more co-branded events outside the library between our two campuses. Sunem offered that following this committee meeting, she'd be happy to provide a tour of our building to make everyone aware of the space available.

Patricia also asked the method by which we send out library event communications to students, faculty and staff at FAU. Sunem noted we typically go through Miguel Hernandez or Shireen Lalla on the FAU Davie Campus. At the GPAC meeting in November, she will clarify FAU's procedure to share UCL event communications with FAU students, faculty and staff. Flavia suggested that we could send information to Nori Carter with FAU Student Life to distribute to their students. And, she noted that students can be best reached by social media, especially through Instagram and their feature called Insta Stories.

Sunem suggested we should find opportunities for BC/FAU faculty to get to know each other, such as at shared events. In Spring 2018 (January through early April), the UCL is hosting an exhibit being brought to us through FAU called "Genocides of the 20th Century." This would be a possible example of an event at which we could consider holding a reception for our faculty to meet and network.

The last item of business was to have the committee elect a BC and FAU faculty representative to join the GPAC group and provide updates from this committee. The GPAC meeting takes place on November 16 from 10:00am to noon in our library, Building 17, Room 315. Sherrie Sacharow volunteered to represent BC faculty on the GPAC and Patricia Willems volunteered from FAU. The GPAC will also meet twice per year, during each major term (fall and spring).

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned.