LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
December 11, 2012  7:30 AM
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Members present, Joan Ruffle, Hanspeter Waldner, Zhaohia Yang.

Library faculty: Nancy Adams, David Brennan, Robyn Reed, Lauren Kime

Apologies: Timothy Cooper, Stephanie Patton, Cynthia Robinson, Brandon Smith, Vicki Schirm

Philip Wilson, Nancy Adams, Associate Director, Harrell Health Science Library opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

1. **Budget Process – Robyn Reed**
   Committee was informed that the budget process will commence in Jan/Feb 2013 and we may have more information by the next meeting. David Brennan is looking at one time purchases offered and paid for by University Park for the coming year.

2. **Improved access to library resources on and off campus – Nancy Adams**
   (a) Nancy discussed the new icons for the library, and demonstrated where they are located; Infonet main page; Education page under Faculty/Student and Researchers; Clinical Services page; and the icon will have already appeared on the desktop of new and re-imaged computers. In early January IT will roll out the icon to all computers. The icon is also on the remote access portal with a direct link to the library website.

3. **Harrell HSL Collections – David Brennan**
   (a) There will be changes to the Journal list currently A-Z as problems can arise because there is no link resolver. Serials Solutions 360 has a link resolver and we hope will be functional by Spring 2013, this will also include our own ‘GET IT’ page.
   (b) Anatomy Software evaluations – We are assessing new anatomy software for the new curriculum – several vendors will be displaying the products in January, 2013, the software will not be limited to students.

4. **Data Management Symposium – Robyn Reed**
   The Harrell HSL and CTSI are hosting Data Management in Biomedical Research: Information Challenges and Practical Strategies on March 26, 2013. The symposium is aimed at both Basic Science and Clinical Researchers. The keynote speaker is Mike Conlon who will talk about types/trends of data management nationally. There will be two panels discussing the following: “What’s happening here at Penn State Hershey”; developing a data management system, data ethics, privacy, intellectual property; Red Cap; Biostatistical services, high performance computing; and contact information.

5. **NCBI (National Center for Biotechnology Information) training sessions – Robyn Reed**
   (a) Robyn will attend a NCBI Discovery workshop in February, 2013.
   (b) New course: Librarians guide to NCBI - registration is in December but only 18 available places, course will then commence in Spring 2013.
Talking points: Dr. Waldner thought it would be helpful to be able to navigate the whole genome, and interspecies comparisons. Dr. Yang asked if there was a PC version of MacVector and also if there is a software that translates RNA into protein sequence.

6. Clinical Outreach, Liaison & Instruction Librarian Candidates
Two candidates have been selected for interview for the above position. They will be visiting Hershey on December 20, 2012 and January 3, 2013. Information will be sent to the committee regarding these interviews.

7. Provide New faculty with Library information at password pickup – Nancy Adams
Nancy asked the committee for their thoughts on how we can make sure that new faculty gets the information they need regarding the library and its resources when they come in to the library to pick up their IT passwords. Dr. Yang suggested a one page summary in the information pack, but it should include information on where to find resources. Dr. Ruffles suggested that new faculty should also be informed of the liaison person for their department. New faculty need to be informed that they should go through the library site to PubMed. The question was asked why it is necessary to go through the library website, David will discuss with IT if it is possible to do an URL rewrite to allow access to PubMed without going through the library website. Dr. Waldner and Dr. Ruffles both thought the Harrell Library website is the single most important thing for giving correct information to new faculty.

8. Additional Issues/questions/concerns
Dr. Waldner asked how aware/important is new development of information resources to the library. He mentioned Readcube which in collaboration with Nature is a new resource made by scientists for scientists, it apparently is free, can download PDF files, export into Endnote, make notes etc. None of the librarians had heard of this resource. David pointed out that models are changing especially with open access, in fact we are looking at the European PubMed. Nancy asked should the committee members come across other new resources please let the librarians know.

Nancy mentioned that we have the Life and Limb traveling NLM exhibit coming to the Library in February, bookmarks were handed out to the committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 am