2008-2009 Year-End Committee Report Form

Committee: University Library Board
Chair: Maureen Smith
Chair Elect 2009-10 TBA - no candidates were available at the time of the last meeting.
Number of meetings: 10
Minutes: Please see http://www.sjlibrary.org/gateways/academic/ulb0809.htm for copies of the ULB meeting minutes.

Items of Business Completed 2008/2009

1. The ULB participated in the King Library 5th anniversary celebration in September 2009.

2. The ULB advised and made recommendations to the Open Access task force regarding issues related to Open Access. The ULB also hosted a small session with Heather Joseph when she visited campus. Heather Joseph is a well-regarded expert on Open Access.

3. The ULB continued to discuss the issue of internet filters on the public library computers. On April 22, 2009 the San Jose City Council heard the issue at their 7Pm meeting. The chair of the ULB, Maureen Smith, the Vice Chair of the Academic Senate, Michael Kaufman, and University Attorney, Larry Carr, all spoke and represented the University’s position. The San Jose City Council voted against internet filters and in favor of an alternative measure that did not include any filters on public library computers.

4. The bulk of the ULB’s time was spent helping the King Library faculty and staff prepare their five year program review. The ULB advised on rough drafts of individual components and reviewed the full draft prior to submission. The ULB also met with the outside reviewers during their campus visit.

Unfinished Business Items for 2008/2009

5. The ULB began three projects and broke into three subcommittees to work on these projects. These three projects are: (1) SJSU Alumni privileges at the library; (2) Funding for the Library via gifts to a college for new programs or academic initiatives that would help to fund the materials the library needs to purchase or services it needs to provide to support the new program/initiative; and (3) Encouraging SJSU students to read for pleasure beyond their classroom/academic reading. These projects are anticipated to continue in Fall 2009 and be completed by Spring 2010.

New Business Items for 2008/2009

1. It is anticipated that the ULB will be assisting the Library to determine its next steps based on the feedback it receives from the five-year report and helping the Library begin to implement these steps.

Please return to the Office of the Academic Senate (ADM 176/0024) by May 30, 2009.