

Report from LLC

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Committee:	ASU Senate Library Liaison Committee, Devoney Looser (Chair.)
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It's my pleasure to provide this report to the ASU Senate, sharing the activities of the Library Liaison Committee.

As you may know, Hayden Library is poised for a major renovation, dependent on securing funding. The Library Liaison Committee has been receiving regular reports from ASU Libraries Director Jim O'Donnell about the process and ongoing plans.

We are raising questions and concerns with him where we have them but primarily we are sharing our enthusiasm for the emerging plans and new opportunities this renovation promises for faculty, staff, and students.

UPDATES

- The vision for the library is three-pronged. It will be a place for books, a place for people, and a place where people encounter new technologies.
 - O Director O'Donnell shared with us a document, "ASU Library Goals and Tactics" outlining the goals to deliver high-quality information resources to all users, including online-only and online-mainly, to transform our partnerships, and to inspire and engage with programs, services, and expertise.
- The movement of materials out of Hayden Library to prepare for the renovation has already begun.
 - o Government documents are being transferred to ASU-West.
 - o Books are now being moved to high-density shelving.
- Plans are underway to close the tower by summer 2017, with a re-opening slated for fall 2019.
- An architectural firm has been chosen for the project: Snøhetta.
 - Snøhetta was chosen after vetting 23 proposals.
 - The firm is best known for its work on the libraries at Alexandria and at North Carolina State University.
 - o I encourage all Senators to watch the video about work of Snøhetta at NC State's library. (Our budget is unlikely to allow for what they have done there, but you'll see Snøhetta's work on a transformed university library.) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Okr78MUrImI
 - The LL Committee will be meeting with the architects sometime in the next 12 weeks, as they gather information to create plans.
- Print collections totaling several hundred thousand volumes will remain on site in the renovated Hayden and in all the other present library facilities (Thunderbird, West, Downtown, Art+Design, Music, Noble, and Poly).

- The library has received a Mellon Foundation grant to plan for the future of print collections in our browsable spaces.
 - It will seek to answer, "Which books? For what purpose? How presented and made engaging to coming generations of students?"
 - Faculty engagement over the next three years will support determining answers to these and related questions.
- Emerging plans call for many books to be stored in high density shelving. (The LL Committee toured this area, at Poly, last year.)
 - The plan is to be able to provide requested books within a day and perhaps even faster.
 - There is a proposal for a night shift, which would mean that a book requested by midnight might arrive to a campus location by 8 a.m. or 10 a m
 - One idea being explored is increasing points of pick up, perhaps using locker technology, akin to Amazon lockers.
- Special Collections will be moved to the first floor, increasing visibility and access.
 - o It is now hidden on the 4th floor, out of sight of the typical 10,000 students a day who come through Hayden's doors.
 - This move will allow ASU Library to showcase its rare and valuable books and manuscripts and will expose more students to the importance of print culture.
- The shift to a new Integrated Library Online system is ongoing. It may be in place by summer 2017.
- The LL Committee is also watching with interest the work of the task force on Open Access, which will present its ideas and recommendations to the campus later this year.
- I welcome the chance to hear from you with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
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