University Library Committee
Minutes
Meeting – Oct. 25, 2007

Members Present: Stephanie Branson, Keith Hale, Jeff Huebschman, Josh DeWitt, Jeffrey M. Schwan, Tom Scanlan, John Krogman, Marge Karsten

Scanlan called the meeting to order at 11 a.m.

Branson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Sept. 27 meeting; Huebschman seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Branson made a motion to approve the agenda; DeWitt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Student members, DeWitt and Schwan, were welcomed to the committee, and committee members introduced themselves.

Krogman presented the breakdowns of Karrmann Library Budget Category 3, in response to this committee’s previous request. He mentioned that the library’s capital and supply budget has been frozen at $468,795 for the past nine years and that the budget for libraries is a separate line item set by the legislature, not part of the budget for each campus.

Branson made a motion that the Library Committee forward the motion passed at its Sept. 28 meeting to Faculty Senate with the additional information that the library budget has been frozen for the past 9 years; Karsten seconded. Motion passed unanimously. [Note: The motion to be forwarded is as follows: The University Library Committee supports an increase in the library budget necessitated by increased student enrollment due to the Tri-State Initiative.]

Members discussed departmental breakdowns for general periodicals and online journals; Krogman indicated breakdowns are largely based on history but that requests for new periodicals/journals are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Student members inquired about library renovations; Krogman indicated which offices currently housed in the library will move to the Ullsvik Center and stated that three or four classrooms and labs would be set up in the library for use beginning in Fall 2008.

Scanlan indicated that Sharon Carns is listed as the academic staff representative to this committee; he has contacted her but has not received a response yet.

The next meeting will be in late January; the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Marge Karsten, Scribe