LIBRARY TEAM FINAL REPORT:


Team Members

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Responsibilities and Duties:

The University Library Committee functions as an advisory group to the Dean of Library Services. The team will review and recommend policies concerning all matters relating to such matters as library instruction, service policies, collection development, and library technology development.

Summary of Library Team Activity

The Library Team met four times during the 2007-2008 academic year (September 11, November 20, January 29, and March 25). This year a Student Government Representative, Marco Quiroga joined our team as an Ex Officio member. At every meeting Kathy Miller delivered a Director’s Report to inform team members about the library expansion project, staffing updates, budget matters, statistics, and assessment tools. Another recurring agenda item was new library resources. Rachel Cooke kept team members abreast of new print and online resources available to FGCU students, faculty, staff, and community users. The Library Team had several good discussions about the future of libraries and what the FGCU library may look like in the future. The library as a physical place will remain important as students are using the library for studying, group projects, and seeking research help at the reference desk. Physical resources in print and microform will continue to be important because of the limited availability and cost factor of online resources. Library Team members offered several helpful suggestions for the library this year including developing YouTube library instruction, increasing workshop advertising, and additional instructor/librarian collaboration.