February 27, 2015

Information Literacy Committee Meeting

Montaukett Learning Resource Center 9:00 a.m.

Present

Jennifer Farquhar, Chairperson
Dana Antonucci-Durgan, East Campus Head Librarian
Lisa Melendez, Member
Bruce Seger, Member
Mary Pat Takacs, Member

The meeting commenced with Jenny discussing LIB 101 being approved at the Curriculum Committee for 1 credit. She explained that it would next go to Governance on March 17th. She mentioned that Ammerman will add 2 LIB 101’s for the fall and that Marya will be conducting a hybrid LIB 101 (part in person/part online). In addition, there is a proposal for an LIB late start evening session. Biology has said they want LIB as a requirement. Vladimir Jurokovski has said there is a computer lab available in the new Science building that we could use to teach the course.

Mary Pat said that she had a mixed discipline of students in her science based LIB 101 including business students, so having a basic science LIB is not a poison pill.

Dana mentioned that this will be discussed at the all librarians meeting and that other departments have expressed interest in making LIB a requirement.

Lisa discussed that Health and Human Services has already added LIB as a requirement to its catalog description, but added that this is a small program.

Mary Pat suggested that there may be better advisement of science students regarding LIB at Ammerman than at Grant.

Bruce mentioned about Donna Ciampa highlighting high school student LIB 101. That he had taught a section of this previously and that it was being added for the fall as well.

Jenny mentioned that the computer lab at Ammerman has a 24 seat capacity.

Lisa suggested that Suffolk students should be given priority over high school students.

Jenny suggested that there should be better communication regarding counseling and LIB. She also questioned if there has been discussed at Grant and East about adding additional LIB sections.
Dana said you can’t really add sections without protocol.

Mary Pat mentioned that we should try to promote something for the fall but that it might be an issue with counseling.

Bruce mentioned that while Grant will probably be conducting two sections of LIB 101 for the fall, that we don’t want to be spread too thin as Sue will be on sabbatical.

Dana questioned what the best times have been for LIB.

Lisa said Monday at 11.

Jenny suggested we should consider a 5 week/2 times a week program.

Lisa said she was on the fence about the 2 times a week.

Jenny said lets plan on talking about LIB at the all librarians meeting April 10.

Jenny then discussed the “Guide on the side” program. She said she did not know if there was an outside host yet.

Dana mentioned that there were issues with the server and that the Networking Committee was addressing.

Jenny suggested that potentially part of COL could be online.

Dana said that online is good but there are issues.

Lisa said there could be an online component but you need a personal connection.

Dana suggested that we look into developing something over the next two years.

Jenny said that computer was still the academic computing component of COL will still be required when the course goes to one credit.

Mary Pat mentioned that time management was removed.

Jenny said we need to revise the current worksheet and that “Guide on the side” could be used for the books portion of the assignment.

Mary Pat said that doing research is a trial and error process.

Mary Pat suggested that COL 101 has a disconnect with Freshman Seminar and that perhaps there should be a group project to encourage a buy in from the students.

Jenny agreed that a common project could be a good idea.
Mary Pat mentioned about an English professor who presents an assignment that requires students to choose an Opposing Viewpoints topic, then research and argue the opposite of their viewpoint on the subject.

Lisa suggested that a topic like handwriting technology might be of interest.

Jenny adjourned the meeting and set the next meeting for 9 a.m. at Ammerman on March 27th.

Respectfully Prepared by Bruce Seger.