Present: P. Cervanka; S. Gater; C. Geiser; J. Kirk, (recording); A. Pasero; J. Ruff; K. Siebenlist; J. Welburn; J. Zanoni. (S. Munroe on Sabbatical)

I. Dean Janice Welburn brought the meeting to order at 1:00pm and welcomed the members of the Board.

II. Update by the Dean of Raynor Memorial Libraries

A. Recruiting

1. Head of Technical Services

An experienced administrator is being sought to head what will be the department created by merging Acquisitions, Bibliographic Control and Serials. It is anticipated that the new Head will be hired before the end of the summer.

2. Diversity Residency

This two-year Residency Program is designed to encourage and promote the professional growth and development of new librarians and to help increase the presence of underrepresented groups in academic libraries.

B. Institutional Repository

The Libraries continue to work on the development of Marquette’s Institutional Repository. Ann Hanlon and Janice Welburn have given several presentations on e-publications including one to the Dean’s Advisory Council for the College of Arts and Sciences. Currently the Repository contains 2,030 Marquette dissertations, 146 Philosophy master’s theses, 19 faculty publications, and 50 exhibit catalogs and pamphlets from the Haggerty Museum of Art.
C. New Website Design

The Libraries’ Website is in the process of an extensive redesign. An alpha site will be mounted this summer and Marquette users will be asked to comment on the Website. Work will continue through the fall of 2009 with the launch of the new site targeted for January of 2010.

D. Budget

Welburn noted that all Dean’s have been asked to prepare contingency budget plans for FY 2010 and FY 2011 as a precaution in case revenues do not meet projections.

E. Comments by the Library Board Chair

Dr. Julius Ruff suggested that a program to project the Library as cultural center be initiated. Cultural events could be planned, presentations by speakers such as those who received teaching or research awards. Other ideas included graduate student presentations of their research work. Perhaps a Friends of the Library group could be formed that could work on the project with raising funds for the Libraries as a goal.

F. Graduate Student Concerns

The Graduate Student Representative, Susan Gater, brought forward some issues from the Graduate Student Organization.

When searching MARQCAT and discovering that the Libraries do not own a title (either book or serial), grad students find it cumbersome to back out of MARQCAT to request the item via ILL. Is it possible to have a link in MARQCAT perhaps at the bottom to the Illiad service?

Also, a couple grad students said that the “Find Articles” link does not work the way they are expecting it to work. The Susan thought that a better description or more explanation may help--perhaps when a patron gets to the Quick Search page after executing a search.

III. The meeting was adjourned at 1:55pm

cc: Dr. John Pauly
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    Faculty Library Representatives
    Deans
    Academic Senate