

Student Library Advisory Committee Agenda/Notes

October 6, 2017

Student Attendees: Amelia Spooner, Alex Cuadrado, Anna Jastrzembski, Ati Akbari Shahmirzadi, Austin Mantele, Taylor William, Arlena McClenton, Aliya Bhatia, Brandon Harrington, Thelma Ranjitsingh, Shyamoli Biyani, Noemy Santos, Andrew McLaren, Leyth Swidan, Ashley Chappo, Monique Harmon, Arlena McClenton, Chris Mosher

Library staff attendees: Anice Mills, Allison Morrow, Francie Mrkich, Ellie Ransom, Kristina Williams, Breck Witte

Agenda:

- **Introductions - all**
- **The work of the committee - Barbara Rockenbach**
- **Columbia University Libraries Trivia Activity - Allison Morrow**
- **What issues concerning the libraries are most important to you?**

Students invited to share Issues concerning the libraries - topic suggestions for future meetings:

- Temperature in library spaces - “too cold in many libraries”
- Space issues – number of seats
- Resources available – (i.e. shelving Persian language resources)
- Staffing fluctuations (i.e. Burke library daytime desk staff)
- Remote access awareness issues (how to get to things off-campus, etc.)
 - **Library Services for Off-Campus Users**
<http://library.columbia.edu/locations/science-engineering/off-campus.html>
- Classrooms & the library
- Collaborative spaces
- Differently-abled people – access to ebooks, big print, etc.
 - **Columbia Office of Disability Services**
<https://health.columbia.edu/disability-services>
- Advertise FLIP more broadly so low-income students are more aware
 - First-Generation Low Income Partnership
<https://www.facebook.com/columbiaflip/>
<http://spc.columbiaspectator.com/news/2014/09/30/students-discuss-shared-experiences-inaugural-first-generation-low-income-group>
- Website concerns
- Communication channels - Facebook is a clear choice among students. We will also explore using student communication channels to help get the word out about library collections and services.

Trivia Game:

How many books are in Butler?

2 million 13 million 23 million

(ANSWER: 2 million)

How many seats are available in the libraries, approximately?

2,500 4,000 10,000

(ANSWER: 4,000)

What can I check out from the libraries, aside from books and media?

Therapy dogs A credit-card sized computer Earplugs

(ANSWER: A credit-card sized computer. The other stuff is free during stress relief activities!)

How many librarians do you have, approximately?

15 35 50

(ANSWER: 50)

What is the Libraries' Twitter handle?

@ColumbiaLib @StacksatColumbia @YourCULibraries

(ANSWER: @ColumbiaLib)

How should I look for library materials?

Use the card catalog in room 310 Google it Search via Libraries' website

(ANSWER: Search via Libraries' website)

What's the fastest way to get help from a librarian?

Ask the Butler security guard for a list of names Online chat via Libraries' website E-mail
Barbara Rockenbach directly

(ANSWER: Online chat - the service is called Ask A Librarian, and you can chat, email, call,
schedule a meeting, or text.)

How many items did the Libraries recently add to its collection through the launch of a new shared collection program?

2 million 5 million 7 million

(ANSWER: 7 million)
