Student Library Advisory Council- November 16, 2018

Attendees
Columbia University Libraries: Anice Mills, Barbara Rockenbach, Francie Mrkich, Breck Witte

Students: Aimee Toner (Barnard), Ashritha Eadara (Engineering), Molly Boord (General Studies), Rahim Hashim (Biological Sciences), Anna Jastrzembski (School of the Arts), Alex Cuadrado (Italian)

For committee membership and previous meeting notes, please see our Student Library Advisory Committee site.

Notes

*The next SLAC meeting will be held on **February 8, 12:30-1:30 in Butler 523.**

1. **Updates and Questions**
   We discussed the location for the upcoming therapy dog visit in Butler Library on December 13 from 5:00-7:00pm. The students agreed that having the dogs in a reading room on the fifth floor would be less disruptive than on the entry floor (2nd floor). The lounge was also discussed but students felt that dogs in a eating space was not a good idea.

   Plans for procrastination workshops (Oct 22, 29 & Nov 5 & 12 5:00-7:00pm in Butler 203) and mindfulness workshops in the Libraries.

2. **The Future of Watson Library in Uris Hall**
   The Library has an opportunity to think about student space and new kinds of scholarship in the Watson Library in Uris Hall when the School of Business moves to Manhattanville. A university committee, the **Urís Vision Committee**, is meeting this semester to come up with a vision for Urís. We asked the students for feedback on what space and service needs they have that the Watson Library space might accommodate in the future.

   The goal of the meeting was to get a sense of the ideal look and feel for the library space. We broke the students into three groups and gave them 30 minutes to draw a rendering of the library space, write a brief story about an experience they have had in the library, and make a word cloud. Below are the images from the groups.
Who? PhD Students

Memorable Library Experiences:
- The number of libraries that are all in such close proximity to one another
- Access to obscure books that are very accessible to acquire

Feelings:
- Intimate (i.e., not having students living in space)
- Comfortable (i.e., chairs are plush)
- Natural light is very important
- Collaboration across levels

ENTERTAIN
- more open less ISA feeling
- structural changes required
- less subject oriented, more broad
- Illumination: Library limits the other focus on занятий it will be used
- partitioned area (Suddon building does not have a single smaller other work/meal so hopefully it can cater to both)

ENTICE
- personal
-风气 (not Blue Room)

ENGAGE
- requires to be used for all class (computer classes, white boards, instruction)
- student services

EXIT
- very central yet at a
- being used by everyone,
- lots of exits required
- no thinking, entry —
- Full Exit

WATER FOUNTAINS
- soft lighting
- BREEZE
- Inviting
- Confused
- chairs
- coffee
- group friendly spaces
- open study spaces
1) ARTS STUDENT
   - Barbara getting me into a 5th floor easels room early!

2) NANCY finding a day of book for my bachelor's thesis very quickly

3) FEELING ANY SPACE IN campus & feeling more integrated in Undergraduate Campus

4) Focused to hide in motivated the stacks

5) INSPIRED, comfortable

ASHRITHA EADARA

- Friends
- Memories
- Food
- Productivity
- Surrounded with people
- Vibrant

- Princ Toner, BC 2020

- Going out on the mezzanine 2nd floor makes me feel...
  I feel inspired to work on my papers in reading

- A calm atmosphere and natural lighting
Comfort
- temple
- lighting
- journey
- seating
- night
- air
- umbrellas/drapes
- caffeine

Accessibility
- food
- climate/atmosphere