University Library Committee Minutes October 10, 2018

Present: Blanco Lobo, Burr, Hammer, Hunt, Johnson, Kahl, Long, Rice, Webster, Zeck

Absent: Lessoff

Guest: Buckley (Milner)

Meeting was called to order at 3:25pm.

The committee approved minutes from the September 2018 meeting.

Burr introduced Buckley as Milner Library's head of collection development. Burr invited Buckley to provide an update on the subject librarians' progress on updating the collection development policy, collections philosophy, and the deaccessioning policy in order to bring those three documents into harmony. Buckley said a comprehensive collection development policy is anticipated in draft form by the end of the year, with possible revisions in spring 2019. The subject librarians took into account the results of a survey that was distributed to the University community in late Spring 2018 that asked questions related to users' preferences for print vs e-book, among other topics. Information concerning electronic access to collections will be reflected in the comprehensive collection development policy. Buckley proposed sharing the draft with the ULC at the February 2019 meeting.

Burr turned discussion to ULC's student membership. Currently, the Senate's "blue book" states the committee should have 9 student members. Burr said ULC has often been lucky to recruit 2-3 students, and often they are unable to serve two semesters due to class schedules. Discussion ensued as to whether reducing the number of students members was preferable. The committee decided to recommend changing the number of student members to 3-5, with a preference that 1 student be a graduate student.

Zeck provided an update on the plaza rehabilitation project. The exterior work is progressing as planned, and the contractors hope to be finished by Thanksgiving. Interior work will begin after that. Zeck plans to Milner's Library Council an update on accomplishments related to the library's strategic plan.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50pm.