Senate Library Subcommittee
Minutes

Friday, Oct. 25, 2003

11:00 a.m. in LB 419


Absent: L. Hite, K. Murphey

The meeting was called to order by D. Oberstar.

The minutes of the meeting of Sept. 19, 2003 were approved as distributed with a minor correction.

Old Business
The Information Literacy resolution sent to the University Resources Policy Committee last spring had been forwarded to the Educational Policy Committee (EPC) and then returned to the Library Subcommittee without comment. After some discussion, the subcommittee agreed to ask EPC for more guidance in how we might improve the resolution or make it stronger. D. Oberstar will communicate our concerns to the EPC and note that although information literacy is included in the general education requirements, the general education requirements do not establish any specific competencies, nor do they speak to the information literacy competencies for any program.

The subcommittee considered surveying individual faculty or departments to determine how the information literacy competencies are currently addressed and assessed. Committee members decided to wait for the EPC directives first.

Announcements
The Office of Academic Affairs has agreed to help fund a presentation by open-access advocate Dr. Peter Suber (Earlham College) during the spring semester.

Next meeting
The next meeting of the Subcommittee will be on Friday, December 5 at 11:00.

Recorded by J. Violette