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Minutes for the Library Student Advisory Board - October 27, 2015

Present: Lilly Potter, Aubrey Hobby, Valen Bidleman, Tristan Poindexter, Madison Correiro, Tena Gilliard, Rania Asif, Rebecca Seipp, Maryke Barber, Luke Vilelle.

Meet Luke Vilelle, the University Librarian: Luke, who is also the liaison librarian for the Social Sciences (Econ, GPS, GWS etc.), likes working at Hollins because of the close relationships you can form at a small school. He is a big sports fan, especially baseball, and hopes that his 7 year old daughter will consider a women's college one day!

Luke shared the library's mission (see <http://www.hollins.edu/library/about/mission.shtml>), in which teaching is front & center. Related to our mission, here are just a few snapshots of good news to share about recent developments at the library:

- **Space for learning** – the library has welcomed the CLE on our first floor
- **Curating the Hollins legacy** – the Hollins Digital Commons (<http://digitalcommons.hollins.edu/>) continues to grow, now more than 500 items. The HDC includes student papers from the research award; several of the papers have been downloaded hundreds of times, and one has been downloaded over 3700 times.
- **Partnering in education** – the library is investigating opportunities in a pilot project to help professors adopt open education resources (OER) for their textbooks. If successful, use of OER can reduce textbook costs.

Transfer students: Transfer students have not been in a first-year seminar, and will have missed the instruction librarians usually provide. We want to create an orientation to help bridge this gap: what do you think will help them most?

Suggestions included book locations, helping students find the books for their major, ILL, the website, articles, using Journalfinder, the loft, coffee, the catalog, and the library's hours.

Write-Ins: Rebecca use the FYS syllabi to find dates:

FYS write-ins: Tuesday, November 10th and Wednesday, December 2nd.

NaNoWriMo Midway Extravaganza: Wednesday, November 18th.

Snack suggestions: Cheezits for Tena, who insists she doesn't have a problem; cookies; chips, fruit; coffee!; hot chocolate; tea; pretzels; chex mix; raisins for Aubrey, maybe ☺

Quiet Floor: After some consideration of everything that happens on our third floor, the library staff has agreed with your suggestion to give this a try.

One exception: events in the Hollins Room. We don't want people attending events to feel unwelcome in the library, so events will have to be exempt.

Everyone took a walk around the third floor to ponder good locations for wall signage. Thanks for your help with this! From your list, we have identified the most urgent areas, and we'll also be making table tents.