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### LSAB Minutes February 2022

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## Library Student Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, February 24, 2022

Time: 4:45 pm

### **Opening**

The regular meeting of the LSAB was called to order at 4:45 pm on 2/24/22 in Wyndham Robertson Library's CLE by Maryke Barber.

### **Present**

In attendance were:

1. Maryke Barber
2. Shawna Battle
3. Kaitlyn Carver
4. Sofia Sosa-Olivares
5. Mya Johnson
6. Sarah Himes
7. Charlotte Rose
8. Sophia Kunkel
9. Hannah Slusser
10. Maggie Dillow
11. Nabila Meghjani

### **Agenda Item 1 – Guest speaker**

Brent Stevens, Director of Writing Center spoke about the writing center and the services it offers. WC tutors can help with every stage of writing, starting at brainstorming how to write about your chosen topic. Check out the new online appointment system!

### **Agenda Item 2 – Updates**

The Hollins shuttle now stops at the Hollins Branch of the public library on every other Thursday; it's not an automatic stop, you should request it. Note about public library card renewal: call the Hollins Branch, it is easiest by phone.

Discussion of EDJ sessions sponsored by the library: one about Open Educational Resources with James Miller, and an invited speaker on the LGBTQ history of Roanoke.

### **Agenda Item 3 – Search Advocate Program**

What it is and how it works: Shawna talked about this program, which helps those working to hire new Hollins staff and faculty recognize their implicit bias and work to keep it out of the hiring process.

### **Agenda Item 4 –YANA Exhibit**

The exhibit was created by Hannah Slusser as part of Hannah's J-Term internship. The purpose is to promote the YANA collection which is on the second floor balcony.

#### **Agenda item 5 – Art Exhibits from J-term**

They are located in the Reading Room and on the second floor.

#### **Agenda item 6 – Undergraduate Research Award**

The committee needs two student judges. Maryke also asked for suggestions about how to invite finalists and award winners to speak about their own work at the awards ceremony (without creating undue pressure for students who do not wish to do this).

Students' suggestions: make it optional; one option could be their preparing text for someone else to read; give some prompts as suggestions; give early notice so students can prepare.

#### **Agenda item 7 – Relaxation lounge for Spring 2022 exams**

Students like the relaxation lounge and having drinks and snacks during exam week.

#### **Agenda item 8 – Future Guest Speakers**

The students were asked who they would like to have as guest speakers at future meetings. The two suggestions were Professor Florio and Laura Jane from the campus museum.

#### **Agenda item 9 – General Discussion**

Announcement: a new club combines creative writing and community service! Ask Sophia Kunkel for details.

Maryke thanked students for their feedback on library spaces. The library will get chairs without arms. This won't happen immediately but it will happen. It may take some time because the university is currently experiencing staffing challenges, but we have made the request from Facilities and will keep asking until we have more chair options in the building.

The HU Connect meeting was moved to Wednesday, March 16, 2022.

A student requested a review of books on the Middle East because so many are really outdated. Student was told to email Luke Vilelle to ask if new books can be purchased. Student can also email Maryke and she will forward email to Luke.

Minutes submitted by: Shawna Battle

cc: Maryke Barber, Rebecca Seipp