

Information, Technology and Library Resources Committee
Report to Senate (12/4/12)

- Submitted by Chair, Anne Pemberton (pembertona@uncw.edu)
- Committee is comprised of two merged committees (approved by Senate in Spring 2012)
- Duties:

“This committee shall make recommendations concerning the development of information technology and library resources, services, and facilities. This committee shall also make recommendations regarding University policy that pertains to general academic computing, information access, and scholarly communication. Additionally, this committee shall provide advice as part of Information Technology Systems (ITS) and the University Library’s planning processes and on matters brought to it by the Chief Information Officer (CIO) or University Librarian; shall incubate and recommend ideas to optimize information resources for instruction and research; and shall serve as liaison between ITS, the Library, faculty, staff, and students.”

- Fall 2012 activities:
 - Monitoring online SPOT discussions (Innovation Council, Evaluation Committee, etc.)
 - May propose that a Task Force engage in this discussion more fully rather than multiple committees trying to address.
 - Investigating and discussing possible ePortfolio tools for campus.
 - Discussions about e-publishing on campus (also discussed by Student Matters Committee).
 - Future Library discussions:
 - Faculty borrowing, potential student fee, collections funding, scholarly communication issues, data management plan, etc.
 - Future ITS discussions:
 - Pricing/funding models for Blackboard and SharePoint (to be sent to President Lugo in response to faculty question); other ITS issues as they arise.

Recommendations:

- To better facilitate communication between Randall Library and faculty and Information Technology Systems and faculty, Sarah Watstein (University Librarian) and Leah Kraus (Interim Chief Information Officer) will provide updates to Faculty Senate at least once a semester (in addition to timely e-mails to faculty). President Lugo will ask Watstein and Kraus for updates at December 2012 meeting.
- To better facilitate communication about Library and ITS issues, faculty are encouraged to contact both President Lugo and the Chair of this committee in addition to contacting Sarah Watstein or Leah Kraus directly on issues that affect faculty in general.