

BFC: Libraries Committee Minutes

6 December 2024

Attendance: Alexis Peirce Caudell (co-chair), Adam Mazel (co-chair), Samantha Eads, Roman Ivanovich, Alex Lichtenstein, David Taylor, Andrew Asher (presenter)

- November Minutes Approved
- IUB Library Assessment Overview presented by Andrew Asher, Director of Organizational Research, Analytics, and Strategy & Assessment Librarian
 - Collections
 - Use of Physical Resources (PR)
 - PR Circulation has declined 60% since 2005 - this is in line with trends across the world of libraries
 - esp. by undergrads
 - 90+% of Wells PR are used during the life of the object
 - 50% of the collection has been used at least once in the last five years
 - Use of Digital Resources (DR)
 - e-journals used 300,000x per month in busy months (September – May)
 - e-books used 100,000x per month in busy months
 - Spaces
 - Wells is the busiest library, followed by Business Library and Education Library
 - Attendance has yet to recover from COVID decline due to more remote work
 - Teaching and Learning
 - By using asynchronous tools, the library has been able to bring instructional activities in line with staffing capacity.
 - The library uses data from the survey to see if that they are reaching student demographic groups equitably, and or identify groups where they should focus more attention.
 - Ithaka Surveys: 2014 and 2020
 - Faculty belief in the work of IU Libraries has increased from 2014 to 2020
 - Faculty support for Open Access has grown from 2014 to 2020
 - Faculty use of primary sources has grown from 2014 to 2020

- Faculty continue to prefer digital texts for searching but physical text for reading. This is a challenge for collection development, since library users are asking for both versions.
- Meeting Times for Winter/Spring
 - Fridays Monthly 2 – 2:45 p.m. Alexis or Adam will send out meeting invitations
- Goals for Spring semester
 - Write committee purpose statement