

Student Library Advisory Board Meeting

February 22, 2023 at 2pm via Zoom

Attendees

- Mick Guile
- Molly Kennelly
- Aleana Masuda
- Lindsay Pelliccia
- Kaylen Phillips
- Caitlin Shanley
- Jackie Sipes

Agenda

1. Greetings/icebreaker
 - a. What is the most helpful thing you are doing for yourself right now?
2. Ongoing work: Charles Library spaces
 - a. Review brainstorming / prioritization from last semester
 - i. [2022 Fall SLAB brainstorming activity.docx](#)
 - ii. [SLAB Prioritization Activity RESULTS.pdf](#)
 - iii. Since last meeting, Jackie and Caitlin met with Library Communications team. We discussed different formats for highlighting services (print, digital, where to display, etc.)
 - b. Highlighting library services & resources
 - i. Which library services and/or resources should be highlighted?
 1. Library stacks & leisure reading (you can browse, check out books! (beyond just academic books)
 2. For study rooms: highlight what resources exist to use in the rooms (cables, markers, etc.)
 - a. Improve the existing signage about using the room tech
 3. Subject librarian
 - ii. Format can be print signage on study room walls, signage around building, digital signage on screens
 - iii. Guiding theme? This might help us narrow down options to highlight

1. Increased student engagement?
2. Increasing student engagement with themed book displays
 - a. This is done frequently at the Law School library
 - b. Book displays in Charles – where could these go?
 - i. Leisure reading was selected because these shelves are short, easy to put stuff on top
 - ii. Fourth floor display cases (inside and outside quiet reading room)
 1. These aren't seen much – maybe focus on a more visible area to start
 2. We could also do more to promote the content in the cases – on social media, etc.
 - a. Add Instagram highlights for displays
 - iii. Would these displays have to focus just on leisure reading? Can we pull stuff from the general collection?
 1. [@Caitlin Shanley](#) ask Rick L. (who manages leisure collection) if we have data on the usage of these books?
 - iv. Improve signage on leisure reading to improve engagement
 - c. Law library currently has a Black History Month display
 - d. Labor organizing display?
 - e. “book of the month” - connect with One Book, One Philadelphia or other national/local programs?
 - f. Rotate book displays from each college
 - g. Students could vote on Instagram - “recommended by students”
 - h. Issue with leisure reading = we don't have many copies
 - i. Could do a “if you like this, try this” style display

- ii. Create a list of related titles, can pull from if copies get checked out
 - i. Who is in charge of displays?
 - i. Just SLAB for now, but we could design a process together so that in the future, students can propose themes/create displays (create a submission process)
 - ii. If focus is student engagement, it would help to utilize the students' voices on their creation
 - j. Would be cool to see poetry and prose/fiction and nonfiction book displays to diversify things
 - k. Reach out to student orgs? Babel poetry collective, environmental clubs, Lunar lit mag
- 3. Need to consider political implications of opening this up – what guidelines do we have for selecting content?
- iv. Next steps: maybe a small subgroup can focus on this in the spring semester?
 - 1. Divide into partners/teams to designate different responsibilities
 - 2. One group for leisure reading and one for stacks/cases? Separate group for question of the week?
 - 3. This is getting pretty complex – maybe start out by breaking down tasks, decide who is doing which tasks
 - 4. Dividing groups by student engagement/awareness and space
- c. Question of the week board
 - i. Where in Charles should we place these?
 - 1. Somewhere with a lot of foot traffic, like by elevator, water station, restrooms, entrances
 - ii. Question schedule
- 3. Social media takeovers: Brainstorming topics
 - a. Mick: crime and law books
- 4. New business
 - a. Reminder: [Share your feedback on Library Search updates](#)

- b. Student publications in the library – create space for lit mags, more zines, etc.
- 5. Action items
 - a. Jackie and Caitlin will review notes/meeting chat, pull out tasks, then create a document/space where folks can sign up for tasks

Questions/considerations for book displays:

Logistics about how long available

Social/outreach/awareness

Reaching out to student groups

Procedures (for more sustainable model to reach more students)

Mix and match books from the stacks

Graphics/signage

Approval of minutes

Please review the meeting minutes, adding any edits/omissions/corrections via the commenting feature. Add your initials below when you have finished reviewing the minutes.

Name	Initials
Mick Guile	MG
Molly Kennelly	MK
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