

Faculty Senate Library and Information Technology Committee: Year-End Report

The committee met five times: September 12, December 1, February 9, and April 12. Minutes, kindly handle by Janet Miles of OIT, are posted for each meeting.

We welcomed a new Dean of the Library, Steve Smith; Associate Dean of the Library, Holly Mercer; and a new OIT point person, Bob Campbell. Along with key staff from their organizations, all were engaged in the committee's work and planning.

In contrast to last year, there was minimal discussion about Banner or other issues. The Blackboard migration and switch to Collaborate for synchronous online sessions went well. The one issue that continues to percolate is continued concern about low response rates to the online SAIS evaluation. At one meeting there was discussion about some of the questions.

Library and OIT personnel apprised committee members of various strategic planning initiatives, activities, and priorities, most of which are driven by Top 25 efforts.

Fair use of copyright materials continues to be a concern, particularly because of the Georgia State University lawsuit. Please see the excellent handout, prepared by Teresa Walker, Associate Professor of the Library. Walker also did a presentation for the full Senate.

Plans for the Library renovation of the Commons area and One Stop space for students were previewed with the committee.

Item to be considered by the committee next year include: