

# LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY

## Library Users' Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 24 February 2010.

Mr R D Seager (Chair)

Prof A S Alexandrov (abs)	Ms R Jenkins
Ms P Alfrey	Dr R Kinna (abs)
Dr D S Coates	Dr C Kirk (abs)
Dr G Egan	Dr J Lawrence (abs)
Dr M A Evans (abs)	Dr A O'Brien
Dr B Ferrett (abs)	Mr C Peel (abs)
Dr R J Heath (abs)	Dr D Prescott (abs)
Dr A Hepburn (abs)	Dr D Reidenbach
Dr R Hodgkins	Dr T Ryley
Dr E Hunsicker	Dr G Shama (abs)
A Jenkins	Dr L Webb

In attendance: Gary Brewerton, Peter Lund, Kelly Friend and Graham Walton.

### 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Dr Evans, Dr Ferrett, Dr Hepburn, Dr Kinna, Dr Kirk, Dr Lawrence, Dr Prescott and Dr Shama.

### 2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 October 2009 were confirmed.

### 3. Matters arising

None.

### 4. Library user survey

Dr Graham Walton, Head of Planning & Resources, gave a presentation on the 2009 general Library user survey. The survey report on can be found at

<http://www.lboro.ac.uk/library/about/PDFs/usersurvey2009.pdf>.

Various changes have already been put into place from the results of the survey, and further recommendations will be taken forward.

### 5. Travelling librarian

Peter Lund, Academic Services Manager (Science) gave a presentation on his Travelling Librarian Award visit to the USA in 2009. The report can be found at

<http://www.lboro.ac.uk/library/about/PDFs/travellinglibrarian.pdf>.

## **6. Reading list system**

Gary Brewerton, Systems Manager, gave a brief presentation on the new reading list system. The current system is almost ten years old, and now needs to interoperate with other software, e.g. Learn. It is hoped the new system will be in place by May 2010, with a possible launch this summer.

If you have any comments on the reading list system, please contact Gary or your departmental Academic Librarian.

## **6. Librarian's report**

The Librarian gave a brief report noting the following points:

- Additional desks and PCs have been installed, along with improved provision for laptop use. Wireless access will be improved in the coming months.
- The lighting project will start after the end of term in June. Although there will be some disruption, it will be kept to a minimum.
- We have now reached 5000 institutional repository items.
- 24/7 opening went well, with a new desk clearing process to prevent the reserving of desks, which seemed to work well.
- The Library is running a photo competition which closes on 26<sup>th</sup> March.
- Awaiting feedback on the departmental development plan, but expected to save 10% of the budget.
- Demonstrations of possible future OPACs took place, a report will be written but the decision will be dependent on the budget outcome.
- The new Library strategic plan is being written, will report back at the next meeting.

## **7. Announcements and departmental developments**

None.

## **8. Any other business**

None.

## **9. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2010 at 1pm in Library Training Room 1.