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## SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2023

**Meeting Location:** Old Main 340

*Faculty Senate President Dupont* called the meeting to order at 9:02am welcoming a total of 12 attendees (roster attached).

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Brandon Dupont, *Faculty Senate President*, started discussion by:**

- Asking for volunteer for a chair and vice chair. Several people expressed possible interest. Faculty Senate President Dupont asked that anyone interested send him an email and that he would follow up with the entire committee with an email before the next meeting regarding chair, vice chair and meeting schedule.
- Talking about old CHSS-Libraries report (2022) and the recommendations that were included in that report from the last time the SLC met. Mentioning that only about one-third of those recommendations have been implemented and that several have not been addressed. Then there was discussion on other things such as Library collections, subscriptions, FAQ, access, publisher negotiations, and the larger picture of how can the library do more with open access sources, more diversity & equality sources and other library services like teaching and learning support.

There was discussion about the tension between Libraries and colleges. Hope was expressed that this new group on the committee could address some of the history and improve the relationship between the library and colleges and create a balance for the library funding teaching & learning support and collection needs. The library representative gave a quick high level overview of the library's current budget situation and said further details could be provided if requested.

- Those on the committee also said it would be helpful to define the priorities of the committee, possibly review the bylaws. Faculty Senate President Dupont said that the Faculty Senate bylaws as a whole are being revised currently so guidance from the committee would be helpful. Members of the committee expressed interest in possibly talking about the emerging AI component of technology and how that plays a role at Western in the future.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:49am.**

**Senate Library Committee – ROSTER 2023-24**

<b>VOTING ATTENDEES</b>			<b>NON-VOTING ATTENDEES</b>	
<b>Faculty members</b>			<b>Recorder</b>	
Madeline Kelly	Library	P	Elissa Hicks, Government Relations Policy and Affairs Coordinator	P
Johann Neem	CHSS	P		
Vacant	CSE	-	<b>Guests</b>	
Shuo Li	CBE	P	Brandon Dupont, Faculty Senate President	P
Eva Gil	CFPA	P		
Vacant	CENV	-		
Adrian Villicana	FH	P		
Steph Strachan	WCE	P		
Blanca Aranda	Faculty Senator	P		
<b>Student members (if applicable)</b>				
James Dinh, AS Student		P		
<b>Ex Officio members (non-voting)</b>			<b>Voting attendees</b>	<b>8</b>
John Danneker, Dean of the Libraries		P	<b>Non-voting attendees</b>	<b>4</b>
John Farquhar, ATUS Director		P	<b>TOTAL ATTENDEES</b>	<b>12</b>