

**Library Committee  
Annual Report  
2005-06**

Main Library:

- Casual Reading Collection --The dedication ceremony for the Weber Room went well and the Shott collection is receiving good usage. The Humanities Librarian will be evaluating the usage statistics this summer to determine what types of books are the most popular with a view towards acquisitions for the coming year.
- Vending machine for supplies – the library partnered with the Varsity Mart to have a vending machine installed in the Main Library. This has been very popular with students and such supplies as blue books, scantron test sheets, and pens are selling well.
- Lockers – at the request of the student reps to this committee additional lockers have been installed in the Main Library. They are currently available for one day check out only.
- Book returns – additional book return bins are being installed at the Wellness center, downtown campus and Research tech park this spring. Other locations suggested for book return bins include dining centers, large classroom buildings, and residence halls. It is expected that the each year one more bins will be installed.

Momentum Capital Campaign – the library has been included in the campaign and has received some funding. The goal for the library portion of the campaign is \$1.2 million.

Online catalog (ODIN) –The library successfully migrated to a new online catalog earlier this year. Concordia and MSUM are about 6 months behind in the process, but it is expected that sometime in the coming year the link between the North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota library systems will be re-established. This should improve access and interlibrary loan.

Life Sciences Librarian --Marilyn Hedberg was hired as Life Sciences Librarian and is working hard at getting to know faculty, staff and students in her areas. There are currently no professional librarian positions open.

Printing management system --the Go Print system is being installed in the libraries for public printing. Users will need a Bison card to release their print jobs. Arrangements will be made for the public, TCU students, etc. to have a limited number of free prints as well as pay for any needed beyond the initial limit.

Computer cluster staffing – ITS is now staffing the computer clusters in the Main Library until 9 pm. This was particularly an issue early in the academic year.

Grants –the library was awarded 3 grants from Development Foundation this month. Funding was received again this year from the NDSU INBRE Office and ND INBRE Project towards the cost of providing biomedical resources.

Architecture library – It will be necessary to relocate the architecture library when the remainder of the Architecture faculty and classes move downtown. No plans are currently in place but this is under discussion with the dept and admin.

Mission statement & goals – The goal for next year's committee will be to work with the library staff in updating the library mission statement and setting goals for the next 5 years. This was originally planned for this year but was postponed awaiting the accreditation site visit results and the Dean's Council strategic planning activities.

Hours—the student reps indicated that increasing library hours (especially during finals weeks as well as regular Friday and Saturday) has become a platform issue in the upcoming student government election. Increasing hours at the branches is also an issue for the library, administration and students to work together next year. Increasing graduate programs was expected to result in a need for extending hours.

Positions open – Pamela Drayson announced that she is resigning as Dean of Libraries effective May 2 to take a position elsewhere. She thanked the committee members for their time and assistance over the past six years.

The committee members were encouraged to contact Tom Bremer, associate library director, if they have any questions, comments, or problems related to the libraries.

Respectfully submitted. PK Drayson, Dean of Libraries.