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Open Access Task Force

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The GSU Open Access Task Force met on Thursday, February 13, 2014 in the College of Business and Public Administration conference room (G262). Co-chair Deborah Bordelon, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Executive Administration called the meeting to order at 2 p.m. Committee members Lydia Morrow Ruetten, co-chair and Library Dean; Elizabeth Cada, College of Health and Human Services Dean, and Dean of Graduate Studies; David Golland, Assistant Professor of History; Walter Henne, Assistant Professor of Chemistry; and Michael D. Springer, Senior Vice President of Business and Publishing, American Dental Association were present. Committee member Carlos Ferran, Associate Professor of Management Information Systems was absent.

Others present: Alexis Kennedy, General Counsel; Catherine Brady, Interim Department Chair, Occupational Therapy; Jennifer Morehead, Director of Sponsored Programs and Research; Roshaunda Ross, Coordinator, Dual Degree Program of Peer Mentoring, Dual Degree Program Introductions.

Provost Bordelon welcomed everyone and the committee members introduced themselves.

1. **Review of Illinois Public Act 098-0295**
   Provost Bordelon reviewed the charge to the committee from Illinois Public Act 098-0295. The Act states that “On or before January 1, 2015, each task force shall adopt a report setting forth its findings and recommendations. However, as requested by the Act, “Each report shall be submitted to the board of trustees of the respective public university ...” In order to get it to the GSU Board of Trustees, the Committee should complete the report by November 28, 2014.

2. **Review of Open Meetings Guidelines**
   Alexis Kennedy highlighted some key elements of the Open Meetings Act. A quorum for a committee this size is 4. A majority of the quorum is 3; which allows the committee to hold a meeting (either in person or email). Attendance must be in person. There needs to be an agenda and minutes. If there are any action items to vote on, this has to be posted on the agenda in addition to all discussion items. Filming or recording is permitted. We cannot hold a closed session. Meetings of subgroups of 3
have to be posted. Email can be sent one way, but others cannot answer.

3. Open Meetings Certification
   Everyone on the committee has completed the Open Meetings Act on-line training.

4. Overview of Task
   A checklist was distributed that outlines the various tasks of this task force.

   An Open Access resolution for the Academic Senate of Northern Illinois University and an Illinois Open Access to Research Articles Task Force Quick Start Guide was distributed. One of the task force members stated there were errors in the document.

   It was pointed out that it may cost up to $3,500 to publish in an Open Access chemistry journal.

   Federal agencies are trying to determine what to do. We will put the California State policy on the GSU Open Access website for viewing as well as the public screening of Senator Biss.

   It was suggested we think about public forums for GSU to order to educate and gather data. A professor from Northern Illinois University has a presentation that may be worthwhile to bring to GSU.

   The Council of Directors of State University Libraries in Illinois (CODSULI) and the statewide Provost group are also discussing this topic.

   The GSU Open Access Task Force website can be found at: http://www.govst.edu/About/Office_of_the_Provost/Open_Access_Task_Force/

5. Identification of Working Groups
   The task force members talked about focusing on scholarly research. There was some discussion on whether the university gets part of the royalties for those faculty that write books.

   Tasks were assigned as follows from Public Act 098-0295/SB1900, Section 15(b)(iii):
   
   (1)-(3) Deborah and Beth
   (4)-(6) Lydia & Carlos
   (8)-(10) David & Walter
6. Timeline
   The Committee will complete the report by November 28, 2014.

7. Meeting dates/times
   Future meetings are scheduled from 2-4 p.m. on the following dates:
   March 27
   April 24
   May 29
   June 19
   Location to be determined.

8. Public Comment (speakers are asked to keep comments to five minutes)

   Consistent with Public Act 91-0715 and reasonable constraints determined by the Open Access Task Force, at each regular or special meeting of the Open Access Task Force that is open to the public, members of the public may request a brief time on the approved agenda of the meeting to address the Task Force on relevant matters within its jurisdiction.

   Jennifer Morehead, Director of Sponsored Programs and Research
   Ms. Morehead talked about the Intellectual property policy and the open access policy for anyone on federal grants (i.e., NIH). She suggested we include a statement, “when applicable under federal guidelines” to our report.

   Catherine Brady, Interim Department Chair, Occupational Therapy
   Dr. Brady suggested that we place Peter Suber’s “Open Access: Six Myths Put to Rest” on the task force website. She also suggested that the website be a place to funnel questions.

   Dr. Golland suggested the task force look at the Perspectives article that was forwarded by him.

   Mr. Springer shared a Scopus Report for Governors State University.

9. Adjournment

   Co-chair Bordelon entertained a motion to adjourn. Dr. Golland made a motion. Dr. Henne seconded. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. The GSU Open Access Task Force meeting adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

   Respectfully submitted,
   Deborah Bordelon and Lydia Morrow Ruetten