Agenda topics

DISCUSSION  Vice President Steve Richters - Library Security

During the last meeting (November 28, 2012), security for students using the library during the extended hours was mentioned and discussed. Subsequently a memo was written to Vice President Richters that included those concerns. Dr. Richters visited with the Committee today to discuss library security. He informed us of plans in place to have 2 students on each floor reporting questionable activity to the supervisor on first floor. Efforts are being made to hire the additional students needed. These students are expected to move around on the floor once every half hour or so. Vice President Richters requested that the committee comment on the current plans and mention any other concerns that we might have.

The campus police are patrolling throughout the campus on foot. One is assigned the Sub, Starbucks and the Library (all three have late hours). That police person enters the library on a schedule, and walks every floor on each visit. Outside of the police protection, cameras are being added as needed to all buildings including the library.

Dean Smith provided data to the ULC about library usage during the late hours (1am and 2am) available to the students. The number of students using the library during the extended hours (until 2a) have continued to grow. During finals week (the first week in December) the average number per night was 81 at 1a and 148 at 2p.

Meetings are scheduled for 2:30p on Wednesday on February 20, March 20, and April 17.