

## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** April 9, 2013

**To:** Karen Roche  
University Secretary

**From:** Dr. Adam Van Tuyl  
Chair of Senate Library Committee

**Re:** Report of the Senate Library Committee for the 2012-13 Academic Year

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The Senate Library Committee met four times during the 2012-13 Academic Year (October 11<sup>th</sup>, November 8<sup>th</sup>, January 11<sup>th</sup> and March 7<sup>th</sup>). The purpose of this memorandum is to summarize the key items discussed at these meetings for members of Senate.

I. TERMS OF REFERENCE. The committee made three changes to its terms of reference (one change is still pending). A summary of the changes are as follows:

- (a) Under the composition, updated the title of the Provost & VP Academic.
- (b) Under the composition, changed the "Dean of Graduate Studies" to "Dean, to be selected by Dean's Council".
- (c) (Currently under review with Senate Organization) Under the composition, changed the ex-officio status of the Education Librarian to one elected librarian. This change was recommend by the recent external review of the library.

II. LAKEHEAD's WEBPAGE. The committee is very concerned about the lack of a visible presence of the Lakehead Library on the newly redesigned webpage. Currently, a link to the library is buried at the bottom of the webpage. The main link to the library is now listed under "Academics", although it can be argued that the library straddles all the areas of the university. With the new design, we are one of a handful of universities in Ontario without a highly visible direct link to the library on the main university webpage.

The committee passed a motion asking that the webpage have a visible, direct link to library. Our request was passed onto Web Steering Committee. We have been told that no changes will be made to the navigational structure of the webpage until Fall 2013. Feedback from the university community may result in a change, so we therefore encourage all senators, faculty, and staff to contact the Web Steering Committee (chaired by Marian Ryks-Szelekovszky, Vice-Provost, Student Affairs) to let your thoughts be known.

III. COPYRIGHT. The committee discussed the impact of the Access Copyright Agreement signed by the university in the summer of 2012. The library webpage now has a section devoted to questions surrounding copyright. Look for Copyright @Lakehead on the bottom right corner of the library webpage.

As chair of the committee, I would like to thank the following members, as their terms expire this summer, for their work and input: Dr. Changquan Jiao, Dr. Laurence Fiddick, Travis Lockhart, Alexander Penney, and Dr. Kamil Zaniewski.

Respectfully Submitted,

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(Chair) Senate Library Committee