”Share Your Success” Staff Meeting  
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- A new room reservation system developed by Rick Bearden and Emily Mitchell was implemented in July.
- At least 60 of the FerrisConnect online classes were actively engaged with the library, including 35 classes that participated in a monitored discussion board, 21 webinars with online students, and an increase in contact with instructional librarians. These are very high numbers compared to a year ago.
- Thirteen institutions (including one from Sweden) are interested in the revised library tutorial, *Pilot*, written by Rick Bearden and Emily Mitchell that was presented at the Computers in Libraries 2011 Conference. The program is easily edited without having to write complicated code.
- Melinda Isler and Rick Bearden recently finished upgrading the FSU repository that uses D-Space software. FLITE’s University Archives received funding from the Michigan Health Sciences Library Association to help purchase a scanner to assist with the digitization of a portion of the MHSLA collection. University Archives has been co-sharing Portfolio software with University Advancement. Portfolio has been replaced by University Archives with Resource Space software; it has been installed and is now functioning. University Archives is migrating the data from Portfolio into Resource Space. Remote access to files is available with Resource Space.
- Rick Bearden has implemented a mobile website for the library; it provides bare-bones access to what FLITE has to offer. The new site has to be selected for a patron to access it.
- Yuri Konovalov spearheaded an online catalog project that is an example of successful cooperation among FLITE technical service staff, administration, Media Production, IT, and public services employees. Individuals from FerrisNet libraries also participated. Icons have been embedded in online catalog records that allow patrons to easily identify the format of the resource (i.e., print, microform, online, DVD, CD, etc.) Multiple formats have multiple records which allow users to limit their search to specific formats. Icon identification is fully functional in the whole catalog.
- FLITE’s Chat Service/Virtual Space Reference services have increased significantly and reach a wider range of patrons.
- The first FLITE Training Day with Chippewa Hills High School was a huge success and a very positive experience. High-school students used Instruction Studios to do research projects. Pine River Middle School and Mason County Central are scheduled to visit FLITE at the end of the month.
- Kristy Motz has provided tours of FLITE and worked with Tots Place guests and second graders from local schools.
Stacy Anderson and Mari Kermit-Canfield accompanied Communications faculty Donna Smith and George Nagel to the Southern States Communications Association Conference in Little Rock where they offered four presentations on critical thinking and a librarian’s perspective on class assignments.

The Council of Library Deans/Directors subcommittees on collection development and interlibrary loans will be having a one-day meeting on May 20. More specific information will be shared with President Eisler and Vice President Erickson.

Shawn Flynn, former architect with Gwathmey-Seigel, has requested an invitation to FLITE’s 10th anniversary celebration.

All of FLITE’s emergency maps have been revised and posted on the web; hardcopies are also available should the electronic system be unavailable. The new documents show everything that is emergency related (emergency exit routes, fire extinguishers, safe-shelter areas, etc).

Kudos were offered to the FLITE Steering Committee for the extensive work done on the Library’s reorganization recommendations.

Melinda Isler was very involved with the planning group from FSU’s Hospitality Management 125th anniversary celebration. Because of her involvement, University Archives has been receiving an increasing amount of donations for inclusion in the FSU Archive collection.

The FLITE Diversity Committee is developing resource guides for campus cultural events.

FLITE continues to become more integrated into the life of the University with the relocation of the International Education Office, the Multi-Cultural Service Office, and the Jim Crow Museum into the facility.

There was repeated information concerning travel presentations, the FLITE Diversity mini grant award, the Personal Librarian program, and Media Production’s support of University-wide projects.