University of Dublin
Trinity College
Library and Information Policy Committee

Minutes of the special meeting held on Monday 22nd September 2014 at 15:00 in the Henry Jones Room, Old Library.
Sole agenda item for this meeting – Library Strategy 2014-2019

Present: Professor Micheál Ó Siochrú (in the chair), Helen Shenton Librarian and College Archivist (Secretary), John Murphy Director of IS Services, Professor Aidan Seery, Professor David Ditchburn, Professor Agnes Higgins, College Secretary (John Coman), Dean of Research (Vinny Cahill), Dean of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences (Darryl Jones), Associate Dean for Online Education (Tim Savage), Ms. Megan Lee, Graduate Students Union President, Ms Katie Byrne, Students’ Union Representative

Apologies: Professor Eve Patten, Chief Operating Officer (Geraldine Ruane), Academic Secretary (Patricia Callaghan), Deputy Librarian (Jessie Kurtz), Mr. John Lawlor, MIS Manager IS Services

In attendance: Ms Sharon McIntyre, Library Administrative Officer

SECTION A

LIPC/14-15/1 Introduction

1.1 The Chair noted that there is a single agenda item for this meeting and confirmed that the purpose of this additional special meeting is to give members of this committee the opportunity to review the proposed Library Strategy and provide feedback to the Librarian, in advance of the next meeting when the revised document will come to the committee for approval.
LIPC/14-15/2 Matters Arising

2.1 Future Dates

The Chair noted that the current time of this meeting 15:00 on Monday is resulting an ongoing clash with the Finance Committee and requested that the possibilities for an alternative time be checked.

Action 2a: Sharon McIntyre to circulate members and check possibilities for an alternative time.

LIPC/14-15/3 The Library Strategy 2014-2019

3.1 The Librarian presented the key points of the Library Strategy to the committee; she confirmed the role is to define and attain the next level of a major university research library is in the early 21st Century. She highlighted the current context; we are operating in a time of great disruption in higher education and transformation in library services.

3.2 The Library Strategy is aligned to the College Strategic plan, and other critical initiatives, for example The Visitor Experience Master plan.

3.4 The strategy has 10 elements and runs to 10 pages. These include the context, a library “manifesto”, next five years, the five strategic priorities, the approach and the dependencies and interdependencies.

3.5 Following the Librarian’s presentation members of the committee provided feedback on several points in the strategy, including terminology, tone and specific content.

Action 3a: All members are invited to provide feedback to the Librarian by Friday 3rd October.

3.5 During the conversation it was noted that there is a college wide digital strategy committee being formed, possibly by the director of Communications.

Action 3b: The Chair will enquire and feedback on the remit and membership of this committee.

LIPC/14-15/4 Date of Next Meeting

4.1 Monday 20th October 2014 at 15:00 in the Henry Jones Room, Old Library