

Tisch Faculty Library Committee Minutes

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Tisch Library

Present: Jo-Ann Michalak, Laura Walters, Jenna Kubly, Antonella Scarano, Daniel Pasternack, David Proctor, John McDonald, Patrick Forber. Guests: Anne Sauer, Christopher Barbour

1. FY10 Materials Budget. Laura Walters, Associate Director, discussed the FY10 materials budget. The library received a 4% increase. This increase is less than the predicted 7% journal inflation rate. The library will continue with its current subscriptions and will make about \$55,000 worth of cuts in one-time purchases such as books and journal backfiles. There was no objection to this strategy.
2. The Annual Report draft was reviewed and accepted.
3. Anne Sauer, Director of Digital Collections and Archives, gave a presentation on How to Access Archives/Special Collections. Christopher Barbour, Humanities Bibliographer and Rare Book Librarian, spoke on How to Search for and Use Rare Books. Both Chris and Anne focused on ways that faculty have used archival materials and rare books in their research and teaching. Anne and Chris are available to work with faculty on the use of these resources for their classes and their personal research. Most of the library's rare books are in the catalog. Although they are in closed stacks, faculty and students can make appointments to use the material. Anne showed the new digital library web site, <http://dl.tufts.edu>.
4. The suggestions for next year's agenda topics were discussed and approved. It was suggested that the streaming video project be added to the list.
5. The Director's Report was discussed.
6. Jo-Ann thanked the members rotating off the Library Committee. They are: Mark Kachanov, Gina Kuperberg, David Sloane and David

Proctor. David was especially noted for his many years of fruitful service to the library. Michael Reed will be on sabbatical next year, and we will be looking for a new chair. Membership to this committee is appointed by the Committee on Committees.