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THE ALLENTOWN HOSPITAL
LEHIGH VALLEY HOSPITAL CENTER

JOINT HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Minutes

November 20, 1986
11:30 AM - Classroom II

Present: Mark Mishkin, M.D., Presiding; Alyson Breisch, R.N.; G. John D'Aurora; Joseph A. Candio, M.D.; Mark Lester, M.D.; Joseph Gastinger, M.D.; Barbara Iobst; Carolyn Nippert; Robert J. Oriel, M.D.; Michele Rothermel-Kershner, R.N.; Thomas Seabourne; Ronald E. Wasserman, M.D.; Headley S. White, M.D.

Mark Mishkin, M.D. called the meeting to order at 11:35 AM. Dr. Mishkin opened the meeting by recommending approval of the June 19, 1986 minutes. Motion was made and accepted that the minutes be approved as written.

UPDATE/LIBRARY PROJECT

Carolyn Nippert distributed floor plans which included the layout of the new library. Mrs. Nippert pointed out that several changes have been made to the original plans; shelving space has been significantly increased; negotiations are underway regarding moving the electrical wiring pertaining to lighting; and a specially designed circulation area is being looked into.

G. John D'Aurora reported he was not aware of any delay in the construction project; completion of construction is on target for August, 1987.

UPDATE/POOL TRUST GRANT

Headley White, Jr., M.D. reported that the monies requested by our Librarians from the Pool Trust to support the Medical School Affiliation has been approved. The Trust awarded a one-year grant with supplemental monies to come from both institutions.

Barbara Iobst gave a brief synopsis of the proposed use of the Trust funds at TAH. To date, there has not been any drastic increase in the amount of photocopying, inter-library loans or literature searches. The main area of concentration at TAH will be enhancing the book collection to support the needs of the Medical Students.

Carolyn Nippert reported no significant increase in requests have been seen to date, she noted, however, it may be too early to accurately predict the long range effect of the affiliation. Emphasis at LVHC will be placed on enhancing the book collection as well as filling in missing issues.

Alyson Breisch asked about the feasibility of selling old/outdated publications. Carolyn Nippert reported LVHC has sold books in the past and will continue as opportunities arise. Barbara Iobst noted attempts at TAH to sell old books in the past have not been successful.

Ronald E. Wasserman, M.D. suggested the Libraries look into adding tapes and Audio-Visual equipment to their collections.

MEDICAL/DENTAL STAFF DONATIONS

Considerable discussion ensued among the Committee members regarding monies donated by the Medical and Dental Staff for the benefit of the Libraries. Dr. Mishkin noted that for the past two years approximately \$52,000 in donations have been used for reimbursement purposes, not for special programs. Consensus opinion was reached that the dollars donated by the Medical and Dental Staff should not be consumed in the day-to-day operations of the Libraries, but rather, be used for the "extras" over and above that which is necessary to run the library. A motion was made to separate the operational budget from the donations of the Staff; unlike previous practice, specific requests will be brought before the Medical Staff for approval, the monies associated with each request will then be disbursed accordingly. The motion was carried unanimously.

REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS

Headley White, Jr., M.D. addressed a concern that the Regional Resource Centers would be placing additional demands on the Libraries. Dr. White suggested a minimal initial impact and cautioned against reacting prematurely to demands that may never materialize. Alyson Breisch suggested that the support services may see an increase in activities relevant to a Regional Resource Center. Thomas Seabourne noted that realizing the Resource Centers may not be physical entities, it is likely that there will be some impact on the Libraries, whether it be in terms of space, time, or salaries.

LIBRARY SPACE AT TAH

Barbara Iobst brought two concerns before the committee: 1) History of Medicine Collection--where to put it? and 2) There is a definite need for a Conference Room in the library at TAH. It was previously suggested that the "History of Medicine" collection would be protectively housed in such a way to line the walls of a conference room. Ms. Iobst recommended at least a minimal conference area

adjacent to the Library and asked for recommendations from the Committee as well as from the Medical Staff as to where the History of Medicine collection can be put.


JOURNALS

Carolyn Nippert expressed concern about Journals being kept in various areas outside the Library. There is virtually no accounting system for these Journals. G. John D'Aurora assured Mrs. Nippert that this is an internal problem that will be curtailed by check points in Materials Management soon to be implemented. The Committee recommends establishing a policy addressing how published material gets in, is distributed and is accounted for. The recommendation carried unanimously.

Mrs. Nippert shared a request from the Pediatrics Committee for additional in-house reference materials for standardized care relating to Pediatrics. Alyson Breisch suggested obtaining **Pediatric Nursing** and **Pediatric Neurosurgery** and advised going back to the committee making the request for their suggestions and input.

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Joanne M. Gimpert
Recording Secretary