

ACLA Quarterly Meeting, May 22, 2018

Randall Library-UNC-Wilmington

4:00-5:45 p.m.

Present: Lisa Coats, Jacob Deininger, Joann Absi, Melissa Raymer, Jeanne Cross, Susannah Benedetti, Pat Burns, Joan Bloom, Samantha Lashley, Sarah Mueth, Marcella Fredriksson, Suzanne Dickson, Linda McCormack, Tonya Minor, Beth Thompson, Ashley Knox, Susan Mock, Shannon Kidney, Peggy Yandle, Jay Pinson, LaDrene Flanagan

Snacks/Networking from 4:00-4:20

Jacob began the meeting by discussing some of the feedback from the 2nd ACLA Biennial Conference that was held on April 20th, 2018. For more information:

<https://azaleacoastlibraryassociation.wordpress.com/continuing-education/acla-2018-conference/>

Lisa Coats spoke briefly about upcoming elections for ACLA board members in October 2018, and encouraged those in attendance to become involved with ACLA and to run for a Board member position.

Lisa then introduced Beth Thompson and Ashley Knox, librarians from Randall Library, UNCW, who presented on Open Educational Resources and Open Textbooks. Some highlights of their presentation are listed below with an *

*The cost of textbooks has risen significantly in the past couple of decades

*Discussed ways students cope with the high cost of textbooks

*More than half of students reported that they've had to wait until their financial aid packages arrive until they can purchase textbooks

*****Interrupted by Fire Alarm! (~20 minutes)**

We returned from the fire alarm and Beth and Ashley completed their presentation

*Open Textbook Library-database full of textbooks from a variety of subjects, variety of authors and publishers-all content must be openly licensed, must be an original textbook and already in use at multiple institutions

*Faculty are invited to review books in the Open Textbook Library, scale is on a 1-5 rating....1 being lowest to 5 being highest

*Ability to edit in Open Textbook and use it for an instructor's personal classroom.

*Many universities and colleges have implemented Open and Affordable Textbook programs, including ECU, NCSU, and UNCG

*These various OER programs, have saved students millions and millions of dollars across several states

Q & A followed their presentation

Beth Thompson and Ashley Knox graciously allowed us to add their PowerPoint presentation on Open Educational Resources/Textbooks to the ACLA website

Marcella Fredericksson then gave us a brief tour of new Technology available at Randall Library, the Digital Makerspace area.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:45 p.m.

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