1. Approval of minutes from last GSU Council Meeting (October 13, 2016)
   a. Josh Mason, President of GSU (Biological Sciences) do we have a motion to approve?
   b. Andrew Schranck (Civil & Environmental Engineering & Earth Sciences) approves minutes
   c. Kris Murray (Integrated Biomedical Sciences) seconds this motion
2. Josh introduced guest speakers, Diane Walker, (Edward H. Arnold University Librarian, Hesburgh Libraries) & Jessica Kayongo (Sociology Librarian, Hesburgh Libraries)
3. Updates on Library Renovations
4. Diane: This plan gives us a chance to reorganize the space as well as to renew it.
   a. First goal is to make visible, activities that go on in the library.
      i. We want to promote the idea of partnering with other university groups.
   b. Looking to provide high quality study and work environments for all users
   c. Implement space strategies for effective access and growth of Library’s physical collections
5. Master plan completed in 2013
   a. Plotted how we could do renovations in phases
6. Middle of 1st & 2nd floors are completed.
   a. Other areas through 2020 will be done in phases.
   b. Completed work
      i. Entrance gallery
      ii. Level 10
      iii. Level 4
   c. North entrance gallery
      i. nice open space
      ii. Atrium opening has been added
7. Second floor
   a. Big marble wall area
      i. Much more open space
      ii. Wanted lots of natural light in middle of building
      1. Skylight added
8. Level 10
   a. Was standard stack tower floor
   b. Wanted to create area to provide decent space to use collections
9. Fourth Floor
   a. Collections have been relocated to level 8
   b. 4th floor now staff space (originally on 1st floor)
10. Under construction
    a. East Concourse
    b. Scholar’s Lounge
    c. TRU Staff Space
11. Jessica: Current phase is Concourse Phase
    a. Scholar’s Lounge will come online after Thanksgiving.
    b. TRU Staff Space will come online Spring 2017
c. Donor plaques have been relocated
d. Old staff area will be Scholar’s Lounge space
e. From East side, nicely furnished study space
   i. Nice variety of types of seats
   ii. Any number of uses
   iii. Space built to be able to have events
       1. Technology will be hidden
       2. Speaker system
       3. Flat panel monitor
   iv. Overflow from auditorium can stream into this space
   v. Cafe lies across from this space
   vi. Deliberately left this a very nice space because it’s well seen
       1. All types of people pass through this space
f. Center of Concourse
   i. Used to be lots of marble, plaques on walls
   ii. Floor to ceiling glass has been installed
       1. Marble wall has been removed
   iii. Better lighting & more efficient lighting
   iv. Furniture will be upgraded
   v. Possibility of installing piece of art
   vi. Staff space behind reference & circulation desks
       1. Open work stations
       2. Trying to share natural light
g. This year was spent designing rest of 1st & 2nd floors
12. Technology Row
   a. Center for Digital Scholarship
   b. Tech Commons
   c. Administration/IT
d. Center for Digital Scholarship (CDS) will move upstairs
e. Computing on 1st floor will move to 2nd floor
   i. We envision some quick computing on 1st floor
       1. Such as needing to print something
13. Research Commons
   a. Subject Librarians
   b. Teaching & Collaborations Hub
      i. Instruction space
      ii. Group study
      iii. Collaborations areas
      iv. Landing space
      v. More staff space
      vi. More tech space
      vii. We want to make our library activities more transparent to people
14. Grand Reading Room
   a. On two levels
i. 1st floor location - where fishbowl is currently
ii. Very traditional
iii. Row upon row of study seats
iv. Nicely appointed space
v. Center of room - two levels
vi. Wood paneled walls with study tables
vii. West windows
viii. Staircase in back corner of room
ix. Fireplace on 2nd floor
x. Clean line look

15. Special Collections
   a. Precious materials
      i. Rare & valuable
      ii. Climate needs to be certain climate
   b. Music Collection
      i. Moving to Crossroads project
   c. Viewing rooms needed
      i. Award winning special collection spaces
         1. Showed images from Duke & Penn
      ii. Gallery space
         1. Showed image of Duke's space (our architect's project)

16. Renovation.library.nd.edu for updates
17. Natalie Sargent, Health Care Chair (History): History students use archives a lot. Sometimes they get moved. Any increased collaborations with the Law School?
   a. Diane: 2020 renovation of special collection area
      i. Archives currently on 6th floor
      ii. We won't close them
      iii. Figuring out how to continue access
      iv. We move things around but try hard not to close things down
      v. Head of law library is retiring in December
      vi. Dean of Law School & I have been talking about how to merge the catalogs
      vii. Library reports to the Law School
18. Kristopher Murray (International Biomedical Sciences): The fireplace on the 2nd floor...is it actual fire?
19. Diane: It will be gas
   a. Safety issue with real (fire)
   b. We're pleased we got permission to have a fireplace
20. John Nelson, Professional Development (History): What's the timeline for the elevators?
   a. Diane: We're replacing them one at a time
      i. Two new ones online & 3rd was ready to come online
         1. Issues are because we've got two different systems trying to coordinate.
            a. If you're waiting for an elevator, they are smart.
1. They know when they are full so may pass you up if you are waiting.

2. Should be a more efficient process
   i. Fourth elevator should be completed by Spring Break

21. Natalie Sargent, Health Care Chair (History): The carrels on the 13th floor are windowless. Others have carrels that are more aesthetically pleasing, but are not maybe as conducive for productivity. Are the carrels going to become more open rather than have any that are closed off since some people work better under closed spaces?

22. Diane: The current idea is to move everything to be much closer to the 10th floor, but important thing to know is that there is not currently funding to renovate the rest of the stacked floors so for the rest of the term, these floors are going to stay the same.

23. Rob Mowry (Sociology): When do the CDS & Tech Row move to the 2nd floor and when do you expect the Grand Reading Room to be complete?


25. Kristopher Murray (International Biomedical Sciences): What is The Landing Space?

26. Jessica: We have partnerships with various groups. We’ve offered a couch next to our reference desk for them & a number of rooms.

27. Mandy Havert, (Assistant Librarian, Hesburgh Libraries): We have rooms that are seating 5 or 6, consultations or small seminars, etc. Duncan Student Center will have a number of Interviewing Rooms.

28. Margie Housley, Quality of Life Chair (English): I think of the Grand Reading Room as being a quiet space. The Fishbowl isn’t really quiet.

29. Jessica: This space was previously the Fishbowl. As we understand, it’s quiet during the day but it evolves as the day goes on. We’re happy to put signage in there if needed.

30. Diane: The Collaboration Hub will be open before the reading room

31. J. David Woodington (Theology): The other tower floor, you mentioned lack of funding. What will happen to the 12th floor?

32. Diane: We’re renovating as funds are available. We’ve got a plan we need to revise. We want to focus primarily on Humanities & Arts. At some point we’ll find somebody to renovate the 12th floor but won’t be anytime soon.

33. Jessica: The 10th floor is a bit of an experiment. We’re utilizing 10 as a study floor.

34. Will Cernanec (Sociology): The 2nd floor used to be in between quiet and loud. Now (it’s) a bunch of undergrads yelling.

35. Diane: Probably not really that in between space. The Research Commons might be. We can think more in depth about that.

36. Josh Mason, President of GSU (Biological Sciences): Thanked the speakers for their presentation.

37. Committee Chairs shared their reports (see agenda)

38. Josh: Let’s take 5 minutes or so for break out sessions.

39. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.