Annual Report for Grants/University Relations Office
July 01, 2007 to June 30, 2008
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Major Accomplishments:

- Organizational: No changes.

- Personnel: Staffing remained stable.

- Programs:
  Grants: 10 written grant proposals totaling $44,282.50 were submitted. The Library was awarded 8 grants totaling $40,895.00. The “Library Grant and Gift Award” web page was updated, as well as the more detailed grants spreadsheet for the Library Administration. The Library faculty was regularly informed of grant announcements and opportunities for grantsmanship training. The annual Library Grantsmanship 101 workshop was attended by four Library faculty members and one attendee from the College of Education.

University Relations: The Library newsletter was distributed in electronic format to the Library and campus faculty and staff, and the regional library community through the Library staff email list, the ABCD list, Hotline, Student Hotline and the New Mexico Library Association and Border Regional Library Association listservs, reaching an audience of thousands. Many compliments were received from librarians statewide. 100 color paper copies of the Fall 2007 and Spring 2008 newsletters were printed and distributed to campus VIPs and major donors.

53 news releases were written, posted on the Library news web page and released through University Communications. Headlines for the most recent news releases were posted on the top page of the Library home page with a link to the Library news page for the current semester. The multimedia “video” presentation about the Library was posted on the top Library web page. Major news stories included The Big Read programming, the dedication of the Caroline E. Stras reading room, the Esther Chavez gift, and the gift of the Senator Pete Domenici papers.

- Strategic Goals/Targets. The goal for two new Library PIs to plan, write and submit grant proposals was exceeded. The three new PIs were Charles Stanford, Sarah Baker and Cindy Pierard, who were all awarded fellowships.

Trends/Issues:

- The NMSU campus is switching from the InfoEd grants research database system to another system. Efforts will be made to educate Library faculty regarding the system and the forthcoming transition to online grant approvals and submission.
**Significant Faculty/Staff Accomplishments:**

- **Degree Completion**

- **Grants Awarded**  See grants statistics listed in **Major Accomplishments**.

- **Presentations**  The annual Grantsmanship 101 Workshop was given to five attendees.

- **Publications**
  The article “An MLS by Any Other Name” by Jeanette Smith and Elizabeth Titus was accepted for publication in the June 2008 *Against the Grain*.

  Jeanette completed the 9th through 12th chapters for her book on library humor: “It’s a Mad Mad Mad Mad Library,” “The Internet is a Drunk Librarian,” “The Unforgivable Sin,” and “Joyfully Subversive.”

- **Other**
  Jeanette received an engraved tile for her participation in the NMSU Advancing Leaders Program and her photo was taken with President Martin.