I think the health of our civilization, the depth of our awareness about the underpinnings of our culture, and our concern for the future can all be tested by how well we support our libraries.

- Carl Sagan
Why is NMSU Library requesting ongoing Student Fees?

- Many academic libraries rely upon student fees which permit them to enhance collections, spaces, & services used by students. NMSU Library currently has no such funding.

- NMSU Library has and will continue to take unprecedented budget cuts, while facing double digit inflation in the cost of doing business.

- Student Library Fee Funds would permit the Library to continue to be responsive to meeting our students information needs, rather than having to reduce existing levels of support and in the future not to be able to respond to new or increased library needs of our students.
How Much?

- $40 per student per semester
  (Fall, Spring and Summer terms)
If student library fees are approved, a Student Library Advisory Committee would be created to advise the Dean of the Library on how student library fee funds might best be expended.

Determining what gets funded with those fees would be identified from feedback from students.

Each semester open forum meetings would be held and a survey mechanism would be created for students to discuss how the fee was being used, what the benefits have been and what else they would like to see funds spent on.
LET'S LOOK AT THE BIG PICTURE!
### Library Materials Budget 1998-2013

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2. University research overhead decreased from 5% to 2.5%.
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WHAT IS THE LIBRARY’S COST OF DOING BUSINESS?
Cost of Library Materials

1 year subscription to IEEE Xplore Database ($119,020) = Maserati GranTurismo $118,900
Cost of Library Materials

1 year subscription to the Journal of Coordination Chemistry ($11,050) = NMSU Meal Plan A for 4 years ($11,160)
Cost of Library Materials

2010 Washington Post Microforms ($5,646) = 1 year undergraduate tuition at NMSU ($5,449)
Cost of Library Materials

Linguistics and Language Behavior Abstracts - Database 1 year ($2,460) = Samsung - 60" Class / 1080p / 120Hz / LED-LCD HDTV ($2,499)
Cost of Library Materials

1 Year Subscription to Party Politics ($994) = MacBook Air ($999)
Cost of Library Materials

Encyclopedia of Genetics, Genomics, Proteomics and Bioinformatics ($1,826) = Spring Break Bahamas Party Cruise for 4 people ($1,932)
Cost of Library Materials

APA Handbook of Industrial and Organizational Psychology ($577) = 32GB iPad with Wi-Fi ($599)
Cost of Library Materials

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Oxford Companion To Emotion And The Affective Sciences ($82) = 82 songs on iTunes

Music

The music you love (and have yet to discover) is just a click away.

You'll find millions of high-quality, DRM-free songs on the iTunes Store all for just 69¢, 99¢, or $1.29. Browse around. Have a listen. See what's new, what's hot, and what other fans are listening to. iTunes recommends music based on what you already like, so you can always find something new to enjoy. When you download select albums, you'll experience iTunes LP — a beautifully designed, interactive world right in your iTunes library. Many are created by the artists. While you listen to your favorite songs on your Mac or PC, dive into the lyrics and liner notes, view photos, watch videos, and enjoy other bonus materials.

See the top 100 songs in iTunes +
Library Student Equipment

1 KIC Stand Scanning Station ($20,998) = A Nice Down Payment on a New Home ($20,998)
Library Student Equipment

1 Student Workstation - Table, Chair, Computer, Partitions ($2,055) = 155 Large Papa Johns “The Works” Pizzas Delivered to your Door ($2,055)
Providing Access to Unique Information

NMSU Round Up Digitization Project ($28,095) = Toyota Prius V ($28,070)

Since April 2010, The Round Up website has generated 85,698 page hits.
IDEAS OF HOW STUDENT FEE FUNDS MIGHT BE USED?
What might be done with Student Fee $ 

Creation of additional user friendly study spaces and group study rooms
What might be done with Student Fee $

Adding additional KIC Station scanning equipment

In the last 10 months, 16,143 e-mails have been sent from the 2 KIC Stations in Branson and Zuhl Libraries.
What might be done with Student Fee $ 

Adding library materials, both physical and digital
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Increase the number of laptops available for the Library Laptop Checkout Program and expand the service to Branson Library.

We currently have 5 laptops available for checkout and during the Fall 2010 semester, these 5 laptops were checked out 833 times!
Maintain access to electronic databases

Did you know?

NMSU Library subscribes to over 140 electronic databases with 5,302,619 searches in 2009.
It is true that nobody ever graduated from a library.

It is also true that nobody ever graduated without a library.

- Unknown
Thank You!