

Norco College  
Library Advisory Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2015

Concern about the small number of students in the sample.

A suggestion that, in future, students could sign in with a student ID and state the specific course for which they are utilizing the library. Dean Nance explained that while this was not done in past assessments, the student ID and course for which they are needing research assistance was gathered for this assessment.

Concern that in this data set, there is no way to determine whether the students are already the successful students, vs. students who are struggling and improve (at least in part) as a result of using the library services.

Suggestion to request help from Institutional Research, to further mine the data for the concern above.

Suggestion to collect this data for students who attend the Library Skills workshop, as well.

Suggestion to aggregate data from students who attend the Library Skills workshop since improvements may not be evident in the same semester as the workshop attendance, but improvements may be made later.

The basic search query and results functions of the upgraded database was previewed for the committee.

The library has upgraded the Academic Search Premier database subscription to Academic Search Complete at a fairly reasonable price increase.

Academic Search Complete offers a more comprehensive collection of information and includes double the journal content than the previous product.

Since Academic Search is the library database most frequently used by students, it is hoped that the increased content will positively affect student success at Norco College.

Some select journals still require a one year delay in allowing access.

There was no student feedback at this meeting.

The idea to create a

Author, and activist for autism, Dr. Temple Grandin is coming in the Spring: April 21, 2016.  
Read 2 Succeed will be featuring her newest work,