Members in attendance: Bill Grubb, Tim Lynch, Susan McWilliams, Kate Mitchell, Matthew Killmeier.

Grubb opened the meeting with introductions and a brief history of information literacy efforts at USM. He presented the newly revised Instructional Services web page and handed out the draft version of the information literacy action plan. He described the most common types of instruction currently used by the librarians.

Each member briefly described his or her background and motivation for joining the council. It was generally agreed that a practical approach is preferred at USM and that information literacy is fundamental to a balanced education and life in general.

Grubb and McWilliams explained the upcoming meeting of EYE participants, which will hopefully enable the librarians to expand on last year’s instruction efforts. It might be noted that visiting professor, Lee Kneflecamp (Columbia University), recently described USM’s general education program as one of the best in the country.

Members agreed to review the action plan and web site and be prepared for discussion and recommendations at our June meeting.

Grubb agreed to pin down a Thursday meeting time in June via email.