
Southwest Area Theological Library Association Spring Meeting

June 14, 2019 Vancouver, BC

SWATLA members attending the 2019 Atla Annual Conference met over lunch on Friday, June 14, 2019.

Informal news/sharing:

- David Schmersal is leaving Bridwell Library, Perkins, and starting a new position at Austin Presbyterian. Austin Presbyterian is starting a renovation.
- Bridwell Library, Perkins, is also starting a renovation.
- Jessie Zhong reported that Dallas Theological Seminary purchased the Fuller Arizona collection for their extension in Washington, DC. They plan to keep Fuller's labeling and are using OCLC batch processing for this. Jeff Webster is moving to San Antonio and working remotely. The DTS president is retiring. The school is breaking ground for a new student center.
- Charles Bellinger reported that Texas Christian also has construction happening on campus.
- Heather Hicks reported that Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary has a new president, Adam Greenway, from Southern Baptist Seminary. SWBTS is hosting the 2021 Atla conference in downtown Ft. Worth.
- Carisse Berryhill reported that Abilene Christian is renovating the 3rd floor east of the library. The big Bible [Waynai Bible] has returned from loan and is going back out again. As part of the Max Lucado papers, the library now has two Lucado pulpits (in addition to their Thomas Campbell pulpit). Carisse also reported that the Disciples Organizational Archives have moved to Bethany, WV; the new facility is adjacent to the

Campbell Mansion. There are records for these materials in OCLC, but locally there is no system to access it.

The gathered members wondered whether they will be called upon to help with the 2021 Atla conference but decided they can probably discuss that in Detroit.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Submitted by Ellen Frost