University of Cambridge

JOURNAL CO-ORDINATION SCHEME

Consultative Committee for Technology

Meeting of the meeting held on 21st October 2011 at 10:00 in the Board Room, Room 1, Department of Engineering

Present: Professor Dame Ann Dowling (chair), Nicholas Cutler (Computer Lab), Lesley Gray (Journals Coordinator), Sue Lambert (Moore Library), Yvonne Nobis (CSL/Moore), Hilary McOwat (Engineering).

Apologies: Andy Priestner (Judge Business School), Jim Thompson (Chemical Engineering), Jonathan Goodman (PS), Lyn Bailey (A&H), Clair Castle (BS), Linda Washington (HSS)

1. Declaration of interests

There were none

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting were accepted with annotations removed. Yvonne Nobis did not attend.

3. Matters Arising

There were none


Lesley Gray reported that JISC Collections have finalised the deals for ScienceDirect and Wiley-Blackwell. After consideration of the negotiated terms, RLUK have recommended that institutions should accept the deals. Anne Jarvis has the agreement of the Heads of Schools regarding acceptance of the deals. Information about the deals is confidential, and once the formalities of acceptance are completed, a formal communication (which can be distributed) will be sent to all.

Lesley outlined the terms of each deal. ScienceDirect is a 5 year deal and all subscriptions will move to online in January 2012. The deal retained the concept of subscribed and unsubscribed titles. Subscribed titles would continue to be accessible after any future cancellation of the deal. Lists of All SD titles sorted by cost per use and total usage will be placed on the JCS website for viewing. It was suggested that substitution should be used to convert unsubscribed heavily used titles to subscriptions in favour of under used or high cost per use titles as necessary. The Committee was reminded that usage statistics and pricing was confidential and not for distribution. However, examples could be used in local consultation.

Hilary noted that that CIRP Annals was an Engineering subscription though marked as non-subscribed on the plan B list. Lesley will check this
ACTION: Please send feedback to jcs@lib.cam.ac.uk by 7th November regarding titles from substitution.

ACTION: All libraries should cancel SD subscriptions which are currently on hold ie not renewed. The JCS will be invoiced centrally for the costs of the deal.

The Wiley Blackwell deal will allow a 3 year transition to e-only. It is recognised that some disciplines within the AH and HSS are not ready to move to e-only for 2012, it will be possible to move in 2013 or 2014. College libraries will be consulted about this as well as they hold many duplicate subscriptions. It is proposed that in the first instance that the sciences will move to e-only in 2012. Hilary reported that Engineering had only 4 WB titles and online only from 1 Jan 2012 would be ok. She reported that Andy Priestner emailed her to say online only was ok with the Judge. Lesley noted that Jim Thomson had previously indicated online only ok for Chemical Eng. Nicholas Cutler said that the Computer Lab had one WB title which he felt the department would be ok with online only, but as a librarian he had reservations due to continuity of access to paid-for content if the subscription ceased. Lesley reported that UL had signed up to a JISC deal for Portico which will provide a “dark archive” for access to material where, eg., disaster strikes supplier, or publisher goes out of business; Lesley also confirmed that the legal obligations on publishers now meant they had to allow access to back online content paid for in the past even when there was no longer a current subscription.

ACTION: Cancel all Wiley-Blackwell subscriptions with agents. JCS will be invoiced centrally

Lesley said that should a library wish to continue a print subscription, deep discounts may be available and she should be contacted.

5. Cancellations and renewals for 2012

Paper 11-12 was discussed.
- BePress may be of interest to the Judge and so they were asked to respond as not present at the meeting.
- Annual reviews: LJG will check if Ann rev Fluid Mechanics is included in the deal. It is not a JCS title
- ACS – details will be sent to Chemical Engineering as this may affect them.

ACTION: Please send any feedback to jcs@lib.cam.ac.uk by 28th October

6. Recommendations

Paper 11-14 gave listed the top priorities identified by the JCS in June 2011. Lesley tabled paper 11-15 indicating cancellation exercise savings. She reported that the JCS Steering Committee had agreed that the savings each school had achieved above the required 3% could be allocated to new needs of that School, each School could decide how the departments divided this up; not all the money has to be spent

The last page of paper 11-15 gave an initial list of possible cancellations from the Moore Library. Hilary noted that she had recently cancelled Engineering’s print plus online subscription to Applied Optics as it was duplicated in the Moore, that agreement had been made on the basis that online remained and print would remain in the Moore. Lesley said that the proposed cancellations in the
Moore cancellations would be re-circulated with full details and libraries asked for feedback on the proposed cancellations by 10th November

**ACTION:** consult and send feedback re Moore cancellations to jcs@lib.cam.ac.uk by 10th November.

Lesley asked that libraries send nominations of titles from purchase from the prioritised list of titles (Paper 11-14). The value should not exceed the total of the surplus saving. This will be confirmed when the Moore consultation is complete. The JCs will confirm prices, and will then contact libraries re ordering

**ACTION:** send nominations of top prioritised titles for purchase to jcs@lib.cam.ac.uk by 16th November.

Lesley reminded members to submit new recommendations to the database by 31st December 2011 for consideration in the new year. There was some discussion about the need to speed up response times for acquiring new titles. It is hoped that this is something that the review will consider

7. **Review of JCS processes**

Lesley reported that a review of the JCS working processes would be carried out over the next 6 months. It would investigate all processes including communication, website, recommendations, invoicing etc. Some Committees were very critical of the current processes and procedures. now it had been University-wide for 2 years, and Colleges had also joined. One representative is sought from each Consultative Committee, and a nomination from this Committee is sought.

**ACTION:** Hilary McOwat will circulate all members of the Committee for a nomination from this group. She will notify Lesley of the representative by 1st November

8. **Date of next meetings**

   24 February 2012 at 10:00
   1 June 2012 at 10:00

9. **Any other business**

There was no further business to discuss and the meeting was adjourned