University of Cambridge

JOURNALS CO-ORDINATION SCHEME

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE FOR TECHNOLOGY

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 22nd October 2015
in the Milstein Seminar Rooms, University Library

Present: Niamh Tumelty (Chair, Engineering), Dan Crane (Engineering), Nicholas Cutler (Computer Lab.), Stephen Dale (JCS Team), Ange Fitzpatrick (Judge Business School), David Wills (JCS Team)

Apologies: Sue Lambert (Moore Lib.), Yvonne Nobis (Moore Lib.), Joanne Farrant (JCS Team)

1. Declaration of interests

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd June 2015 were accepted.

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Matters of interest from the UL

Open Library of the Humanities. David Wills reported that the University Library had signed up to support the Open Library of the Humanities, a project designed to provide open access publishing in the humanities free of author publishing charges.

5. Open Access

Danny Kingsley had provided a summary of new OA developments to the JCS Steering Committee and the Open Access Project Board on 23rd July 2015. HEFCE had decided to relax the rules between April 2016 and April 2017 to require deposit within 3 months of publication rather than 3 months of acceptance in order to qualify for inclusion in the REF. It was pointed out that this was only a temporary relaxation of the rules, but it was also felt that the work done by the Scholarly Communications team in publicising OA and open data issues had put the University ahead of some other institutions in implementing the requirements. A successful pilot of the author identification system ORCID had taken place in the Department of Physics, and it was expected that this would be rolled out across the University. The system was now in place but had not yet been actively promoted. The OA team continued to visit faculties and departments by invitation to promote the importance of
OA and the new rules concerning REF compliance. The upgrade to DSpace had been completed. A further report was expected to the next JCS Steering Committee.

It was suggested that the small number of recommendations for new subscriptions in recent rounds might reflect the growing influence of open access publishing.

The committee expressed their appreciation of the work done by the OA Team in raising the profile of this issue in such a short time and were particularly pleased that University staff at all levels had been enabled to take part.

6. Consideration of changes to existing deals and possible new deals for 2016

Paper 15-8 had been circulated prior the meeting.

Conversion of Sage deal to e-only

The proposal to change the NESLI2 deal for Sage journals to e-only was still under active consideration. This would mean cancelling existing print subscriptions within departments. There were a number of Sage subscriptions in the Engineering Library. The meeting was in favour of making the change to e-only.

Palgrave Macmillan Journals Collection

Details of the Palgrave Macmillan Journals Collection were provided for information, as it was likely that the JCS would be seeking to find funds for it later in the year. The collection included some titles of interest to the Judge Business School library.

JSTOR Collections

The proposed subscription to the remaining unsubscribed JSTOR collections fell into the same category as the Palgrave Macmillan Collection.

The committee was not being asked to make a decision on either Palgrave Macmillan or JSTOR immediately, as the proposals were still at an early stage. Niamh Tumelty expressed frustration at the idea that money might be diverted from science and technology to other subject areas when there were still unfulfilled needs for databases, reflecting a historical underspend in these areas. While the scope of the JCS was still restricted to journal subscriptions requests for databases should continue to be submitted to the UL Accessions Committee, preferably with matching funding if possible.

7. Prioritisation of recommendations

A consolidated list of recommendations (Paper 15-9) had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Pricing had subsequently been obtained for the ASME journal archive from Content Online Ltd, their UK agent. It was not possible to purchase the backfile for *Journal of Turbomachinery* as a single title. The complete ASME archive (1960-99) was available as an annual subscription for $7,450 or to purchase outright for $14,025. It was agreed that at these prices purchase would be preferable to subscription, but that the decision should be deferred.
It was agreed to put forward the title shown in the table below to the Steering Committee for consideration for purchase.

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It was also agreed that *Oil and gas* might be of interest to the Department of Earth Sciences and that the decision should be deferred to allow consultation with the Physical Sciences Committee.

Ange Fitzpatrick confirmed that the Judge had no outstanding requirements for new business journals at present, and that their users increasingly needed access to science and technology journals as well as business journals.

Niamh Tumelty suggested that it might be a good time to consider a systematic cancellation programme. It was agreed that this would be a good way to make funds available for new titles in the current and likely future financial climate. Starting consideration of a cancellation programme now would allow sufficient time to make any cancellations in the autumn of 2016. Under the current arrangement any savings made would be put into the general JCS funds.

8. Dates of meetings

Thursday 25\textsuperscript{th} February 2016, 11.30, Aoi Room, UL
Thursday 26\textsuperscript{th} May 2016, 11.30, Milstein Seminar Rooms, UL

9. Any other business

An informal meeting of Technology School librarians to be held immediately after each Consultative Committee was suggested, and it was agreed that this would be tried from the next meeting onwards.