COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY  
David Rempel, MD, MPH, Chair

MINUTES  
Meeting of November 13, 2003

PRESENT:   David Rempel, Judith Barker, Karen Butter, Adele Clarke, Keir Reavie, Diane Zeiger

ABSENT:   Gary Armitage, Mark Dellinges, R. Kip Guy, Martin London, Dyche Mullins

GUESTS:   Julia Kochi, Manager of the California Digital Library

The meeting of the Committee on Library was called to order by David Rempel on November 13, 2003 at 10:10 a.m. in Room CL 101. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes  
The minutes of October 9, 2003 will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Chair’s Report  
Chair Rempel reported that he received a request from the Associated Students of UCSF (ASUCSF) administrator that ASUCSF would like to send a representative to Committee meetings. Currently, Committee bylaws indicated that the ASUCSF and Graduate Student Association may send representatives in alternate years to participate as ex officio members. The Committee agreed to allow the ASUCSF representative to participate on the Committee as a guest for 2003-04.

Chair Rempel reported on the positive feedback received from the formal communication regarding the licensing issues and publications crisis transmitted to UCSF faculty on November 1, 2003. This issue was also discussed at the October 14, 2003 Coordinating Committee meeting.

Librarian’s Report

Presentation at November 18, 2003 Division Meeting  
K. Butter will give an update on the licensing issues and publications crisis at the Academic Senate Division meeting on November 18, 2003.

Library Space Usage  
K. Butter proposed that the next Committee meeting include a tour for Committee members on current space usage in the Library in addition to a report on usage. The Committee agreed to this format for the next meeting.

Forum on Scholarly Communications  
K. Butter reported that she and past-Chair Martin London attended the Forum on Scholarly Communications recently, organized by the systemwide committee on libraries and scholarly
communication and the Academic Council to discuss issues and solutions related to scholarly communications. A. Clarke suggested researching possibilities for increasing UC Press interactions with societies in order to publish their journals. A. Clarke agreed to report on the current publications from societies at the next meeting. J. Barker suggested consideration of education efforts to new and junior faculty on copyright for their publications. K. Butter noted that there is a new website developed by the Systemwide Copyright Committee and K. Reavie mentioned the library’s copyright website. Staff will send websites to the committee members. The Committee agreed to review these and then discuss creation of a website for educating faculty on copyright issue at the next meeting.

Faculty Carrels
K. Reavie distributed a report on usage patterns of faculty carrels in the Library. According to the report there has been low demand for the carrels, which can be reserved for daily, weekly, or monthly usage. The Committee discussed the need to publicize their availability to faculty, especially those at other UCSF locations. Currently the Library distributes a monthly newsletter to those subscribers who wish to receive these notices. J. Kochi reported that a quarterly newsletter to the campus is distributed through the academic senate and that this newsletter will include information on availability of faculty carrels. K. Butter indicated that Library staff will investigate other publicity possibilities.

It was unclear whether reservations may be made in person or in advance and K. Reavie agreed to report on the Library’s reservation policies to the Committee at the next meeting.

Library Security
K. Butter presented a preliminary report from the Library Building Security Task Group which provided areas of concern and recommendations. Of note was the recent increased access controls for campus buildings such as the medical center as a result of the campus Bioterrorism Task Force’s recommendations. In general, the most common Library security concerns related to theft, rowdiness, and consumption of food. After additional discussion, the Committee agreed to not restrict access to the Library for now. K. Butter indicated that the Library will continue to monitor the situation as the campus increases security measures and to bring to the Committee any future concerns.

Budget
K. Butter reported that there is no news on the budget. Discussions around the proposal from Elsevier are continuing.

Faculty Satisfaction Survey of Library Services
Although it was unclear how this issue was brought forth to the Committee, the Committee discussed several general areas of concern that may be addressed in a survey such as student study rooms, electronic access to journals from outside the Library, and issues related to Melvyl, a catalog for materials at UC campuses and other California libraries. Chair Rempel queried whether the Academic Senate Office conducts any annual survey related to Academic Senate issues and Senate Analyst J. Dang reported that the Office currently conducts surveys for specific issues on an as-needed basis. Chair Rempel agreed to seek additional input at the November 18, 2003 division meeting.

Old Business
Update on Proposed Journal Cancellations
J. Kochi distributed an update on the negotiations with Elsevier and reported that Harvard University and Cornell University have rejected offers by Elsevier. Elsevier had formally rejected UC’s last offer and has requested with Daniel Greenstein, UC Librarian, input on other options that would satisfy UC constituents. Mr. Greenstein has responded to Elsevier and UC is awaiting another offer.

**New Business**

None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

**Meeting Attendance Record**

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