The Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication (COLASC) by Vice Chair Schneider on December 16, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in room CL 119. A quorum was not yet present. Minutes were approved by an electronic vote after the meeting.

Chair’s Report
No report.

Report from the University Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication (UCOLASC)
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Vice Chair Richard Schneider, who also serves as Chair of UCOLASC, reported on continuing actions and discussions at the system-wide level, including an update of the California Digital Library’s (CDL) negotiations with the Nature Publishing Group (NPG). Documents relating to this ongoing negotiation are listed and linked on the Academic Senate web page dedicated to this issue (see senate.ucsf.edu>Issues Under Review).

UCOLASC reported to Academic Council on this issue yesterday. Key points in recent negotiations include exploring new economic models for premier journals such as submission and publication fees.

The Committee discussed sharing some of the concepts involved in pushing for a paradigm shift with the editorial boards of their own journals to gauge their familiarity and opinions on such proposals.

Karen Butter will share the original report investigating the submission fee model with the Committee.

University Librarian’s Report
University Librarian K. Butter reported on the following items:

- The Teaching and Learning Center will open in January. Jan 18-21 will host a variety of opening activities, clinics and workshops.
- Construction on the new 24-hour facilities is nearing completion and should open by the end of January.
- Redesign of the main floor and former Information Desk area.
- Advances in MedLine Plus and new useful resources
- The Library will be closed Dec 24 to Jan 2.
Bylaw Updates
Several years ago, as the system-wide and divisional Committees on Library were increasing charged with reviewing and taking up matters pertaining to scholarly communication, the system-wide and divisional committees changed their names to the Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication. The following language is proposed to incorporate this charge into the divisional bylaws for the Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication:

165. Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication
B. Duties:

5. To cooperate with the University Librarian and advise the Faculty and the Chancellor in matters of scholarly communication on behalf of the Division.

Motion: The Committee shall accept this language and submit it to the Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction and ultimately the Division for approval.

Vote: While a quorum was not present, those in attendance voiced their unanimous approval and a full vote of absent members will be collected via e-mail.

Old Business
None.

New Business
None.

There being no further business, Chair Baxter-Lowe adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.