March 6, 2015

Farid Chehab, PhD, Chair
UCSF Academic Senate
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Dear Chair Chehab:

With this letter, the Academic Senate Committee on Library & Scholarly Communication submits its proposal for the funds allocated to it by the “Business Plan – UCSF Academic Senate Chancellor’s Fund 2014-2015”.

The Committee discussed proposals for the use of these funds at its December, January, and February meetings; the below proposal was approved by unanimous vote at the February 19, 2015 meeting of the Committee.

Of the $91,603 allocated to the committee, we propose:

• One half, $45,802, be transferred to the UCSF Open Access Fund, which provides grants to faculty and other UCSF academic authors to defray open access charges when publishing in open access journals, when other funding is not available.
  
o  As the Chancellor’s Fund is dedicated to “faculty life”, we propose that publications seeking support from these funds must have at least one faculty co-author. As non-faculty academic authors (e.g. post-doctoral scholars and graduate students) typically publish in collaboration with a faculty senior author, we do not anticipate this provision will materially impact operation of the fund.

• One half, $45,801, be transferred to the Library Special Collections Fund, to support the processing of Former Chancellor Michael Bishop’s papers documenting his work as an outstanding scientist in the 21st century. The funds would support the organization, description and processing of Michael Bishop’s papers so that students and scholars could review and analyze the processes and collaborations involved in his work.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Cucina, MD, MS, Chair