

**Agreed Notes of JIBS User Group Meeting, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015**  
**James Clerk Maxwell Building, King's College London, Waterloo Campus**

**Present** : Elizabeth McHugh, Adam Edwards, Elaine Mulholland, Maggie Johnston, Yvonne Cotton, Klara Finnimore, Nicola Tricker, Fiona Bowtell, Jane Cooke, Michelle Walker, Anna Vernon (JISC).

1. **Apologies for absence:** Julie Hamley

Introductions were made round the table and a welcome to Jane.

**2. Arrivals and departures:**

- Catherine has left – need a new secretary
- Klara will go out on maternity in December – Jane to take over the mailing lists?? (position to be held open)
- Administrator – is also needed, discussion about the role and what is involved
- Adam to examine Eventbrite to perhaps remove the admin post
- Consider Eventbrite for the next event and then review
- Eventbrite Information (received 4<sup>th</sup> September 2015)
  - Free tickets are free
  - £50.00 additional places are £3.65
  - £150.00 non-member places are £9.65
  - Will help with marketing as links with FB, images can be added etc.
  - Eventbrite is only set up to take payment by credit card

**Action: (EMcH)**

Three new committee members needed (EMcH) put advertisement out to jibs user group to fill roles and a FE role (EMcH). Secretary role being considered??

3. **Minutes of the last meeting** Accepted as a true record and passed.  
**Minutes to be added to website**
4. **Matters arising- running order of meeting changed due to confidentiality issues with liaison activity groups**

**8. JIBS Prize Update**

- no update as yet

EM put herself forward to contact the library schools in Julie's absence. **Action Required, EM to be sent the list of library schools**

**9. Visit by JISC (Anna Vernon) \*Confidential -AV happy to share with committee\***

**Negotiation Status Report**

Members are requested to discuss and provide guidance as relevant.

Jisc Collections is renewing seven journal agreements for January 2016 start. The current status of the journal and database negotiations is outlined below:

**ACS:** We received an initial offer which proposed an increase of (average) 11.38% in year 1 with further increases of 5% in years 2 and 3. This was rejected, and followed by a revised offer of a flat 6% per annum for three years. All proposed increases are net of a single payment discount (the base increase therefore being 3% higher). ACS has highlighted its various OA-related 'benefits', but is declining to offer a subscriptions-offset model. Further negotiation will ensue when Alastair Cook of ACS is back in the office after holiday.

**BVD:** AV encouraged committee members to complete the survey on BvD's current offer.

**CUP:** Jisc Collections will meet with CUP in early September to discuss the Jisc band analysis undertaken by Jisc Collections and to progress the renewal. This may or may not involve a transition to Jisc bands. Jisc Collections has not received a formal proposal from CUP.

**IOP:** The publisher has now provided full details of 2015 subscriptions expenditure for all members currently taking Options 1 and 2 of the 2015 agreement. We have started modelling a possible transition to banded pricing, taking into account 'Physics intensity' of the members concerned. We will give a brief overview at the meeting, and invite feedback as to whether this route is worth pursuing. <General point we should probably give an update on TCO ? and nos of APCs for relevant publishers at the EIRWG after next>

**NPG:** A proposal has been received for renewal of the Platinum agreement (currently taken by nine members). Four titles (including *Nature Communications*) will leave the agreement, and three will join; in addition, three hybrid titles will see a price decrease in 2016. This results in a like-for-like increase of 3.24% (3.5% cap, mitigated by the three price decreases). However, the three new titles are very much at the high end of the NPG pricing spectrum, which means an overall increase of (average) 5.63%. Given that they are new launches with no track record or existing content, we will be trying to persuade NPG to cap the overall increase at a lower percentage.

NPG is also thinking about introducing a 'Diamond' option between Gold and Platinum; this would be at a discount on list prices of 18%-20% (to be negotiated) for 25-37 titles.

In light of the forthcoming Springer merger NPG is keen to simplify their offer so the Gold, Silver and Bronze package structure and discounts are likely to remain unchanged. We have not yet had details of what increases would result from this, so will review in due course.

<when are we likely to receive this, shall I chase?>

**OUP:** There will be around 20 titles joining the Full Collection and Subject Collections in 2016.

Full Collection: there will be an option for 2015 Full Collection subscribers to add the new titles; terms will be maintenance of existing subscriptions plus a 15% access fee for non-subscribed titles. 2014 Full Collection subscribers will have the option to add the new titles providing the 2015 new titles are also added.

Subject Collections: OUP is reviewing pricing as the new titles will be automatically added to the SCs. We expect a proposal in September.

Subscribers interested in either agreement will be individually contacted with 2016 pricing details.

A meeting has been arranged for 27<sup>th</sup> August with Rhodri Jackson and Sally Iannacci from OUP to discuss OUP's open access developments.

**RSC:** Members will be well aware that RSC's initial proposal was rejected out of hand, with strong follow-up from EIRWG and the community to emphasise its utter unacceptability. RSC withdrew the offer and is re-thinking its approach. RSC have indicated that they will extend the current agreement by one year while a longer-term solution is developed (a verbal update will be provided at the meeting if there are further developments).

**Springer:** Jisc Collections is working on a communications strategy for the forthcoming 2016-18 agreement.

Anna left the meeting before the Enhancement Group reports in the afternoon.

## **7. Marketing**

Jane to consider taking on marketing strategy as she has an interest in this.

Wait until we rebrand our new name (SERIF), postponed until AGM. Keep the logo to help with familiarity? Suggestion to have a competition?

Name change happened due to not knowing who and what JIBS are.

Discussion around our marketing strategy. Wider strategy of why we should exist etc? JIBS as a completely independent group does not get funded (there is no money from publishers and do not give them free places at our events)

Ad hoc nature of JIBS but does not devalue what we do

### Suggestions:

Adam when sending out invoices will add a cover note to promote JIBS

Have the new name at the bottom of notices etc. until the complete name change at the AGM

### **Action:**

For the brochure- check with 73 design as needs to be HTML 5, and go back to that company, check it out with intellectual property point of view, might have to stay with them <http://seventy-three.co.uk/>

Mailing lists were extended for the July event. **Action EMcH to check the lists on GoogleDocs**

## **10. Event Planning –including review of previous event**

EDUSERV happy to continue to help fund some of our events (gave £500 for the July 15 event)

Discount was given for not having wifi at Birmingham event

Survey results (July event) from SurveyMonkey:

Sound: Acoustic problems

EDUSERV did say it was an interactive event

Location on balance was good

Jisc Collections Admin team helpful, but did not get badges correct

Speakers- some not answer/ deviated from the topic?

Food catering was good

Other Possible Venues for future events:

- Birkbeck (not available)
- British Library
- Conferences Central (NT)
- University of London Union
- CILIP

Discussion around venue and event theme:

Accessibility of ebooks- previous medical student, open access, Caren Malloy part of JISC project

'ePub 3 a vision of the future- how we going to get there?'

E-books to flow and have format change for images etc.

Northern collaboration: The experience of student use of eBooks on mobile devices (A briefing paper). The authors are: Amy Devenney, Maggie Sarjantson, Graham Stone and Sarah Thompson.

AHRC funded project, vision of future and how we going to get there. HRC, stop the shift to illegal (copyright) a student

Jane to email colleague (Andrew Barker) regarding the JISC eText book project

Speakers and location discussion (1st or last week in Feb)

3 speakers- Lionel Bently, views of copyright

Items for JISC collections do not need copyright???

Plymouth e-text book project, Nicola to ask Tifaine Dickinson, Plymouth E-Textbooks Coordinator, if she would be willing to speak at the February event

Create Institute- doing research on infringement

Student usage behaviour of e-books

## **11. Treasurer's Update (AE)**

As at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015

Bank balance:	£22,087.25	(£21,670.88 <i>at last meeting</i> on 10.3.15)
Paid up membership:	90	(104 in 2014)

17 universities have paid for 3 year membership. This will mean income next year goes down as they will not have a fee to pay.

LSS Admin at Middlesex are being paid as a collective assistant to check the membership and contacts list on Google Drive to ensure it is ready for invoicing in the autumn.

One university has said they will not be members next year and the chair has followed this up with an email to ask them why. Adam is still chasing a few slow payers for 2015.

## 6. Reports on enhancement groups

**BSOL, IHS** - none (need replacement)????

**EBSCO** – no changes. Issues still exist around indexing problems via Proquest products

**Pro-quest** –need replacement on this group? Proquest and Primo have joined forces. JISC feels there is no leverage with EBSCO. EBSCO say it is publisher and metadata not being shared. EBSCO Not cover pro quest products.

### **Action Required:**

Anna Vernon (JISC) ask for JIBS to make a formal request for information and what items have not been taken further and what resources are affected due to rival products.

AV to check with Liam (JISC). AV (JISC) is having a meeting with EBSCO ???? in December

**OVID** – none ????

**SCOPUS** – Minutes sent on 28 August

**Web of Science** - ????

## 5. Reports on liaison activity

**EIRWG** - renegotiations, American Chemical Society (EMc H)

**EDINA** – report given by EM and how EDINA will move forward in the future with funding cuts etc. Next EDINA meeting is November 2015

**Eduserv** – if anyone has any feedback, let them know. Next meeting? (NT)

**FE** – nothing received.

**MIMAS** – nothing received, unsure of the MIMAS situation

**Research Councils (MJ)** – currently 7 councils, may end up with a lower number

## 12. Admin, Finance, constitutional, roles, committee members, new name

See above

## 13. Mailing list report – overall up on figures

List	Members	Subscribers joining in last 90 days	Leavers in last 90 days	No of posts in last 90 days	No of posts in last year
LIS-JIBS-ADVISORS	23	0	1	4	24
LIS-JIBS-CTTE	11	0	2	251	949

LIS-JIBS- USERS	343	9	10	34	142
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**14. AOB**

Nothing raised

**First week of December for next meeting perhaps at Liverpool, Jane to host.**