

**JIBS User Group Committee Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> April 2013**  
**Library Seminar Room, Computing & Library Services,**  
**University of Huddersfield**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Fiona Bowtell (FB) (Chair); Yvonne Cotton (YC); June Hedges (JH); Andria McGrath (AM); Elizabeth McHugh (EMcH); Nicola Tricker (NT); Catherine Parker (CP); Nadine Edwards (NE);

1. **Apologies for absence**

James Caudwell (JC); Julie Hamley (JHam); Maggie Johnston (MJ); Louise Cole (LC); Stephen Harvey (SH); Elaine MulHolland (EM)

2. **Minutes of the last ordinary meeting**

These were approved as an accurate record with one correction – Elaine McHolland should read Elaine Mulholland.

3. **Matters arising**

**JC** has resigned from his role of JIBS Secretary and from his other JIBS responsibilities. The committee was very sorry to see James go but understood his reasons for doing so.

**AGM Minutes** were all fine however **FB** needs to amend some parts in relation to the Constitution. Once this is done **YC** can update the Constitution on the JIBS website.

**Action FB and YC**

**Vacant Posts** - As a postscript to the AGM minutes we need to note that the secretarial post is now vacant. This will have to go to the AGM next year for approval to replace but in the meantime **FB** can email to JIBS users to say the change has happened. **LC** has emailed JIBS users regarding the vacant posts but heard nothing back as yet. *(Post meeting note: see point 7 of these minutes)*

**Action FB**

**YC** to put PDFs of the JIBS Prize winners up on website.

**Action YC**

**NE** has set up a JIBS Twitter account.

4. **Reports on JISC Working Groups**

**EIRWG** – haven't met recently so nothing to report.

**Geospatial group** - no activity recently and more worryingly looks like it has disappeared, although we were able to locate "GeoForum". **EMcH** will contact Peter Burnhill to ask what has happened to Geospatial.

**Action EMcH**

## **5. Reports on Liaison activity**

**ACM – FB** emailed around the committee but no-one wants to chair the group.

**Proquest** – report from **CR** commented that Ebrary content will soon be searchable on the Proquest Platform. **CR** happy to continue as chair on her own without James, however June has offered to go along to Proquest meetings for support.

**Edina – EMcH** talked about the last meeting and that relations with JISC seem much improved and that there seems to be less worry at the moment about Edina folding. The Ordnance Survey licence issue was raised again.

**Eduserv – NT** reported that Eduserv were keen to work with the JIBS community using workshops and /or webinars and asked if we would be interested. Yes we would! The Euromonitor licence took a long time to negotiate. The question of how Eduserv can include FE was raised again but the bottom line is that FE still cannot afford any of their licences. Piggy back licences could be an option with some publishers such as Emerald but the likes of Westlaw and Lexis would not entertain that idea. FT.com cost is on the rise again and Eduserv want to know if institutions would be tempted to say they are not renewing because of the price increase? Eduserv could then step in and negotiate an offer on our behalf. How useful is the technical function specification? Eduserv would like feedback please....

**FE** – nothing to report (but SH not at meeting) FB to email him to see if any news  
**Action FB**

**MIMAS – JHam** happy to step into James's shoes on the MIMAS board.

**Research Councils** – nothing to report.

**Gale Cengage** – nothing to report.

## **6. Reports on Enhancement Groups**

**BSOL** – nothing to report from Hannah South.

**IHS** – report provided by Frances Hyde

**EBSCO** – nothing to report from Sarah Thompson.

**OVID** – not heard anything from Mark Clowes recently. **Action FB to chase**

**SCOPUS** – report by Carol Rhodes received. The Committee discussed how strong Scopus is becoming over WoS and that it includes a lot more Arts & Humanities content now.

**WoSEC** – reports received via MJ. When Andria retires next year, Linda Humpreys has offered to replace her on the WoS enhancement group.

### **7. Admin/Finance/Constitution matters/Committee membership & Committee roles**

FB had asked for volunteers to take over as following James' resignation. CP and MJ volunteered. As CP has been the Events co coordinator for a couple of years, she would like a change of role. CP was therefore offered and accepted the role, which was approved by the committee.

CP to take over Secretary post until the next AGM 2014.

*Post meeting, MJ was asked if she would be willing to join the events team, which she accepted*

LC has been tidying up the documentation in the admin area.

Elaine Mulholland was going to be an FE rep but has since changed jobs into HE but is still very keen to come on board. LC has emailed out regarding the other vacant posts but heard nothing back however Adam Edwards from Middlesex could be an interested party. JHe also suggested Lynne Meehan, as she is moving to Kings into AM's vacant role

**Action FB to contact AE and**

**EMu: Done**

*Post meeting note: Adam Edwards and Elaine MulHolland were emailed after the meeting by FB and accepted places on the committee. We will retain the vacancy until after Andria retires and then approach Lynne Meehan.*

### **8. JIBS website/blog**

YC reported that UKOLN is no longer being funded and as such they will no longer be able to host our website. JANET has a web hosting service which would cost £195 per year. Need to look through archive and get rid of several years' worth of documents that are no longer required. We should add in a clause to the Constitution regarding digitisation of documentation.

**Action at next AGM**

The Committee discussed how to best utilise the website and the use of social media. Suggested that a condensed version of reports and liaison activity could go on the Blog/Twitter. NE to look at scheduling Tweets.

**Action NE**

### **9. Treasurer's report**

JH reported JIBS has £17K in reserve and that stationery costs are quite high.

### **10. Mailing Lists report**

AM reported that we have 321 users on the User group and that James needs to come off the Committee mail list.

### **11. Event planning Feb 2013**

The next Event will be co-ordinated by NE, NT and MJ.

E-Books and the provision of e-texts were discussed as the next Event topic.

Possible speakers to include **Caren Milloy** as keynote **Action FB to contact**

**Michael McCloughlan** on procurement /models **Action EMcH to contact**

**Phil Gee** from the academic side **Action NT to contact**

**Jane Burns-Nurse** on consortia, Pearson publishing contact – name???

**Action JH to contact both**

**Sharon ... at Sheffield on strategy** (*can anyone remember who this is and who was contacting her?*)

**Jil Taylor-Roe - PDA**

**Action FB to contact**

Possible title – **“The joys and perils of ebooks...we thought it would be easier?”**

NT looking for venue

**Action NT**

### **12. AOB**

There was no other business

### **13. Date of next meeting**

*Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> of September at UCL. Carolyn Alderson from JISC and Liam Earney from KB+ to come to meeting.*