JIBS User Group Committee Meeting 12 December 2011
Morison Room, Cambridge University Library

Minutes – Draft

1. Present: Fiona Bowtell (Chair), James Caudwell, Louise Cole, Yvonne Cotton, Sue Cumberpatch, Julie Hamley (JHa), June Hedges (JHe), Liz Higgs, Maggie Johnston, Catherine Robertson, Catherine Parker, Nicola Tricker

Actions

Apologies: Andria McGrath, Nadine Edwards, Elizabeth McHugh

The Chair welcomed the new member of the group to her first meeting: Nicola Tricker (Contracts and Negotiations Manager at the Charles Seale Hayne Library, Plymouth University).

2. Minutes of the last ordinary meeting, New Hunts House, Guy’s Hospital Campus, King’s College London

- Minutes approved with one correction: Carolyn Alderson is Head of JISC Collections Licensing during Liam Earney’s secondment (not as stated Head of JISC Collections – p. [5] After lunch).

3. Matters arising [not on main agenda]

- JHe confirmed Andrea Innes had won the JIBS prize and will be giving a short presentation on her submission at the February 2012 AGM workshop. JHe to announce this to the lists.
- JIBS Prize. JHe noted JIBS will proceed on its own, independently of CILIP/LIRG for the 2012 prize. The closing date will be end of May. JHe has access to the lists needed to contact the Library Schools. There will be the opportunity to double-check with LIRG that there are no duplicate submissions (same submission to both prizes).
- JHa queried the JISC Collections eresources Group report with LC re legal databases. There was no agreement forthcoming with Bloomberg; agreements with Westlaw and Lexis are not ruled out.

4. Treasurer’s report, including end of year financial statement

- JHe presented a report on the end of year financial statement. As expenses continued to exceed income it was agreed (a) to raise the attendance fee at workshops for corporate/non-member delegates to £100; (b) to keep the membership fee at £70 per year per institution; (c) to change the 2 free places per workshop to 1 per workshop – other delegates from the same institution to pay £50 per place. These measures would be taken to the Feb. 2012 AGM for approval.
- It was noted CILIP’s events – training and executive briefings – had ended. This created a gap which JIBS may consider filling – adding a trainer-led workshop each year. JHe will investigate CILIP’s calendar of training events. This could be another way of increasing revenue.

5. Admin/Finance/Constitution matters : AGM
FB checked that role-holders were happy to continue in their roles as agreed. All were. The terms of the constitution were checked and it was agreed to co-opt SC for a further period. SC will check with York that this is possible. SC

The AGM will take place at the Feb 2012 workshop after lunch. FB will present a report; JHe will present a report. The JIBS prize-winner will give a short presentation and receive a certificate.

6. Event planning : February event

- Venue is to be Brunei Gallery lecture theatre, SOAS. CP to pass invoice to JHe. CP
- Catering has yet to be sorted out. Signage must be done fully (it was poorly done in Birmingham and people were confused). We want minimum 100 attendees. SOAS has no minimum limit. Break-out rooms are not going to be needed. CP
- Should send out publicity now - ahead of Christmas - to allow people to book cheaper travel now in advance and to keep the day clear. CP/FB
- Title for the day “Back to the future and into the clouds”. CP/FB
- Liz McHugh will chair the day. CP/FB
- Line-up and topic coverage of speakers was finalized as Tony Hirst (Open University); Mary Auckland (Consultant); Antony Brewerton (University of Warwick); Ian Corns (TALIS); Mark Bush (TALIS); Ben Showers (JISC Collections); Robert Bley [confirmed post-meeting] (Ex Libris) CP
- CP to contact speakers with further details for them to confirm. CP
- SC and FB will liaise on contacting past members of JIBS to finalize 20 year celebration element of the workshop. CP/FB
- CP and FB will confer on writing descriptive paragraph for the workshop to form the publicity to out now. CP/FB
- Gmail application form to be used again.
- Invite ex JIBS people: if they are still working, they would come on their institutional invitation, unless they are actually speaking. They would then get their expenses paid. FB
- Retired people, eg Adrian Smith should be offered a free place, but pay their own transport. FB to invite people

7. JIBS Web site & blog

- YC had been looking into options for hosting the Web site for free but there were unresolved questions with security and passwords. Use of Googledocs (for admin area work) in tandem with free hosting may be a solution. YC will do further research and testing. YC
- YC will investigate JIBS’s ownership of the domain name “jibs.ac.uk” and redirects if the site is moved from UKOLN. YC
- Next ordinary JIBS meeting to be held in April in Bristol which may create an opportunity for JIBS to meet with UKOLN (in Bath) about the Web site hosting should that be necessary. YC
- Ongoing concern about getting information on the site that is current – enhancement group work and meeting minutes – which we are falling behind with. YC
- MC has masters of JIBS logo and designs etc.
- Need to resolve issues with admin rights to the site to allow JIBS to have more contributors to the JIBS blog.
11. Mailing lists report

AM was not present so report was postponed.

12. Reports on enhancement groups

- **Bloomsbury Academic.** SC described the formation of this group. Thanks to the retirement of Hazel Woodward and departure of Frances Pinter the group had been dormant recently. JHe had agreed to attend for JIBS if there were further meetings in the future.
- **BSOL.** RH (Roger Hines) had sent no report. JC will ask him if BSOL had met. A new interface had been launched recently.
- **EBSCO.** Report from Maureen Richardson had been received pre-meeting and this was reviewed. There was concern over Ebsco’s EDS Discovery Service “taking over” work on the whole range of Ebsco’s products to libraries. There has been a 2nd enhancement group formed for EDS, causing cross over of issues, plus Gareth Smith has not completed his actions. Many sites do not have EDS, so our remit is more to do with subscriptions and licenses to Ebsco products, not their Discovery service. Maureen Richardson will be retiring as secretary form the group. Catherine Robertson offered her services. All of the above needs to be followed up with Sarah Thompson at York, chair of the group.
- **Ovid.** No report from Mark Clowes had been received. JC will write to him to ask about further input from JIBS if he is continuing as Chair of the Ovid group.
- **Scopus.** No meeting had been held to the group’s knowledge.
- **WoS.** Despite ongoing issues with alerts on the upgraded platform, no meeting had been held. It was suggested to MJ that she send a more public email to maillists to prompt WoS into action to resolve the issues.

13. Reports on JISC Working Groups

- **GeoSpatial.** A report from Joan Bird had been received. Also there were concerns about the continuation of the group. JHe and LC as JISC liaison were tasked with finding out what is going on with this group. Joan had sent a link to further information about the group here: [http://www.jisc.ac.uk/aboutus/howjiscworks/committees/workinggroups/geospatial.aspx](http://www.jisc.ac.uk/aboutus/howjiscworks/committees/workinggroups/geospatial.aspx)
- **EIRWG (Electronic Information resources Working Group).** LC had sent a report on EIRWG by email. This was discussed, including the recent conclusions to the Wiley-Blackwell and Elsevier deal negotiations and the work of the Entitlement Project.
- **Stakeholder group.** The next meeting, attended by JHe, is in February 2012.

14. Reports on liaison activity

- **ACM.** FB aims to attend UKSG in 2012 and to meet with ACM there, face to face. No-one had been forthcoming to take the group forward, but as ACM is within FB’s subject area of support at the OU, she will continue to maintain the link with ACM. Most of the issues raised initially with ACM had been resolved now.
- **ProQuest.** JC reported on the feedback to his mail-out to the LIS-JIBS-USERS list. As this was done at a bad time of the year (Sept.) it was agreed to repeat the call and to extend it to other lists, including LIS-E-RESOURCES and FE lists.
- **EDINA:** Liz McH had sent minutes of the last meeting to FB who reported on them to the group in Liz’s absence. The future of the data centres and their relationship with
the JISC was of much interest to JIBS.

- *Eduserv.* JIBS will contact Jenni Carroll of Eduserv to invite her to the next meeting as it had become unclear how the liaison was progressing currently.

- *FE.* LH described the shortfall in provision in the FE sector. This is due to both over-pricing that puts most subscriptions out of the reach of FE institutions and to a lack of relevant and appropriate resources in the marketplace. The JISC banding is intended to cater for FE but for many it is still too high. It was noted the JISC banding is under revision for 2014. Deals for textbooks are also scarce. Licence terms also disfavoured FE. JIBS will explore what routes are available to voicing these issues on behalf of FE. Specifically, JHe and LC will use JISC liaison to make these representations for FE.

- *MIMAS.* JC had not been able to attend the October 2011 meeting. He will send the minutes to the group.

- *MUDL.* Noted Lawrence Jones and Selena Killick (Cranfield) are taking over as joint chairs of MUDL. FB will chase as she thinks a report should have been sent.

- *Research Councils.* No meeting to report.

- *RIN.* Agreed to take off list and see what comes out of RIN in the future.

- *SCONUL.* SCONUL still appear not to want to have any liaison with JIBS although JIBS believes this would be useful.

- *Gale Cengage.* JC said he had been in contact with Gale Cengage. Gale want to get the input of JIBS on their new platform for 19th century collections, including user testing. York (SC), Birmingham (CR), Cambridge (JC), FE (LH) would be interested in this. JC will be contact the committee with more details.

- *Agreed that JC will try and coordinate report gathering and a timetable of expected meetings for group reporting.*

15 **A.O.B.** There was a discussion of the organization of subscription processing as it related to the financial year, and of financial planning for eresource subscriptions generally.

16 **Date and venue for next meeting**
February 24 2012 at SOAS Brunei Gallery, AGM and Workshop
April 2012. Date TBC. Venue – University of the West of England, Bristol. JHa to check room availability at Bristol and email JC with range of dates for Doodle Poll. **JHa**