

MINUTES

MEETING	Economics, Commerce & Geography Library Advisory Sub-Committee (ECGLAC)
PRESENT	Ms I. Putnis (Chair), Dr R. Breunig, Prof B. Chapman, Dr B. Doran, Ms K. Whitford, Ms S. Kosse, Ms E. White (Minutes). Ms Putnis welcomed the Committee members. Ms Putnis introduced Ms Kosse, an Associate Director and Program Leader in Scholarly Information Services.
APOLOGIES	Prof J. Bennett
DATE/TIME	Wednesday, 14 June, 2006, 10.00am
VENUE	The Seminar Room, JB Chifley Building.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF 28 July 2005

<http://anulib.anu.edu.au/ssh/lac/ecg050728.html>

Accepted.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 2005 budget - expenditure was monitored closely but no adjustments were deemed necessary.

4. DIVISION OF INFORMATION UPDATE 2006

Ms Kosse reported on developments within the Library:

- Anticipated enhancements to the Integrated Library Management System include an automated Interlibrary loan system; MetaFind, a cross database search facility; and an Electronic Records Management System bringing together all aspects of record management including licensing agreements.
- Potential for enhanced College and LAC cooperation.
- Space concerns raise issues and the need to consider occupying the vacated NLA Hume store:
 - - Fill rates in all library buildings are at 85%-97%
 - New OHS standards place pressure on providing extra manoeuvrability amongst shelving
 - Student pressure for more flexible learning spaces
- Purchase of "expensive" items 2005:
 - - Early encounters in North America: peoples, cultures and environment online
 - Encyclopedia universalis online
 - Masculinity: men defining men and gentlemen 1560-1918. (Pt.3 1800-1918) - microform
 - New dictionary of the history of ideas online
 - Oxford dictionary of national biography online
 - Oxford journals archive online
 - Springer online journals archive
 - Voices from wartime France 1939-1945 - microform

- Women, morality and advice literature: manuscripts and rare printed works of Hannah More (1745-1833) and her circle, microform
- Worldcat online

5. 2006 ACCESS AND COLLECTION BUDGET

5.1 Budget papers tabled

- The budget for 2006 was presented and Ms Putnis explained that the amount was a slight increase on 2005. Due to heavy serial commitments, the Economics budget still requires close monitoring.
- No new serial subscriptions from the 2005 suggestions.

5.2 New serial proposals for the consideration of ECGLAC

- Journals- the new proposal were noted.
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- It was decided that in view of the current budget uncertainty, the desirable titles should be held over until a review of all print serial subscriptions.

Desirable:	Not supported:
Applied health economics and health policy (suspended December 2006)	Economist's voice
Climate policy	Journal of post-Keynesian economics
International journal of business governance and ethics	
Journal of behavioural finance	
Source OECD	

5.3 Proposals for purchase of expensive items for consideration of ECGLAC

- Expensive items-the new proposal was noted.
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Not supported:
New developments in exchange rate economics. 2v. (2002)

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There was discussion as to how best to handle the continuing need to cancel existing titles before new titles can be purchased.

Initially, a list of current Economics serials was requested and also monographs ordered between Jan and June 2006.

Action: Ms White

It was suggested that the software "Apollo" be investigated as a means by which academics could rank titles within their particular subject areas. This would give a clearer indication of which serials could be cancelled.

Action: Ms White

There was some comment that the database EconLit has been surpassed by other resources and could possibly be cancelled after due consideration by academic staff.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA REPORT

Ms Putnis reported on recent developments at the National Library including:

- Major electronic collections purchased:
 - - House of Commons parliamentary papers 1801-1900
 - Early American newspapers. Series I, 1690-1876
 - Early American imprints. Series II, Shaw-Shoemaker (1801-1819)
 - The Making of the Modern Economy: Goldsmiths'-Kress library of Economic Literature 1450-1840
- Titles on order:
 - - Eighteenth century journals II: newspapers and periodicals, 1699-1812, from the Harry Ransom Human Centre, University of Texas at Austin.
 - In progress, order for The New York Times (1851-2003)
- Offsite access for registered Petherick users, to some electronic resources, is under review and guidelines will be developed for eligibility.
- Likely to be limited to *independent researchers* who can demonstrate a particular need for a particular piece of research as well as demonstrate that they cannot easily obtain access otherwise.
- NLA continues to extend e-call slips to reading rooms.
- New warehouse at Hume should be finished by August 2006.
- 2005 Pandora, Australia's Web Archive-a harvest of the .au domain of the internet was very successful. Another harvest will be run in 2006 for a longer period of time.
- Australian Newspaper Digitisation Project- bid for ARC funding was unsuccessful but NLA will continue with the project, hoping to digitise Maitland Mercury, Courier Mail, Hobart Town Gazette and the Sydney Gazette. All issues to be digitised from the beginning of the papers up to 1954. After these titles, NLA intends to continue with digitising the 9 major dailies.

There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 11.45am