MINUTES

MEETING
Social Sciences and Humanities Library Advisory Committee (SSHLAC)

PRESENT
Mr V. Elliott (Chair), Dr C. Allen, Mr. Y. Tamura, Mr. Mark Dawson, Mr. Yusaku Horiuchi, Ms K. Whitford, Ms S. Ford (PARSA), Ms M. Batten (NLA), Ms K. Collier, Ms S. Kosse, Ms I. Hansen, Ms I. Putnis, Ms H. Zobec (Minutes).

APOLOGIES
Dr D. Craig, Dr J. McCarthy, Dr. R. Breunig

DATE/TIME
11.00am Monday, 26 May, 2008

VENUE
Graneek Room, JB Chifley Building

1. APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF 30 May 2007
Accepted without amendment.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Vic Elliott spoke to Item 4 of the previous minutes confirming that rather than a representative from each of the Library Advisory Committees to serve on the Scholarly Collections Assurance Advisory Committee, the Assurance Committee would be advised by the existing Library Advisory Committees. Information resources supported for purchase in 2007, reported under Item 5ii. No outstanding actions.

4. DIRECTOR, SCHOLARLY INFORMATION SERVICES AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN’S REPORT

Mr Elliott reported on developments within the Library:

- **2008 budget**
  - Serials expenditure very fluid at this point in time
  - Library was able to purchase US dollars in order to lock the exchange rate at approximately 0.93 cents in the dollar. This strategy has benefited the University in past when the value of the dollar fell and the University has benefited from any interest earned in previous years. The outcome of how to expend the funds will be determined in October 2008 depending on the global financial situation at the time.
  - Funds were carried forward to cover encumbrances from 2007
  - the Director’s contingency fund, will once again continue to assist with the purchase of large electronic products and one-off ‘expensive’ items in 2008.

- **Go7 Last Copy Collection Retention Strategy**


• ANU continues to work with the Group of 7 Libraries participating in the Project, with the focus to be on Oxford Online titles initially
• Formal agreements are under way of who has the responsibility for the last title held for each identified title
• Once the Oxford titles have been completed, the project will then focus on Elsevier and Wiley titles. The plan is to build agreements on the large groups of titles.

○ ArticleReach

• ArticleReach is an unmediated document delivery service available to participating Innovative Interfaces Inc. (III) clients. It began in the USA in 2007 across the American Research Libraries (8 in total) and was demonstrated to have very successful outcomes. Ill are now looking to extend this service internationally. The international libraries looking to participate at this point include the University of Glasgow, the University of Liverpool, the University of Warwick, ANU and the University of Sydney
• Mr. Elliott outlined the way in which the service would be used and how requests for material not held by the ANU would be managed (i.e. requests would be pushed out to other consortium partners). Filled requests would be completed similarly to the way in which the Repository resources are currently delivered internally, in PDF format. This service is an electronic service available to clients of the ANU. Evidence shows that the turn around time for having requests filled is excellent (based on the success of the consortium within the USA). Reported benefits from the consortium include a decrease in Inter-Library Loan and Document Delivery workloads. The benefit to researchers would be unmediated access to journal titles held by participants of the Consortium and would be accessible via the ANU Library catalogue webpage
• ArticleReach is a gratis service to users. This workload will be shifted to another section of the Library as a scanning and sending service. Human resource costs to provide the service was flagged as part of the discussion. Statistics on the provision of this service would be maintained and workloads would be monitored.

• Review Of the IIS (Information Infrastructure and Services)
• This Review took place in late 2007/early 2008
• Report currently with the Vice Chancellor
• The final Report will be released after June 2008
• The Report was not able to be discussed as it had not been released. The recommendations appear to be broadly about future service delivery and responsibility of the DOI and the Colleges in relation to information infrastructure services.

5. 2008 ACCESS AND COLLECTIONS BUDGET

5i 2008 Budget allocation

• Budget papers tabled
• The budget for 2008 was presented and Ms Putnis explained that the allocations were consistent with that of 2007. It was noted that the discipline areas of Economics, Classics and
Prehistory/Anthropology would need to be closely monitored based on current commitments. It was also flagged that any requests of new recurrent costs may need to result in the cancellation of low use existing commitments.

- Serials budget includes an estimated average of 7% increase in the allocations made.
- The benefits of the value of the US dollar has resulted in a healthy Access and Collections budget this year.
- It was confirmed that any further requests for journal titles can be made before the Sub-Committee meetings.
- It was agreed that the cost of some of the Linguistics titles could be supported by Modern European Languages (MEL) and would be taken to the Humanities Library Sub-Committee.

### 5ii Significant Purchases in 2007

- New serials and expensive items added to the collection since the previous meeting were noted:

**One off expensive items (Director’s fund):**

- Abolition & Emancipation [microform] Pts. 5 & 6
- Colonial Discourses, Series one: Women, Travel & Empire, 1660-1914 [microform] Pt. 4
- Eighteenth Century Journals I Online
- English Clandestine Satire, 1660-1704 [microform]
- The Entring Book of Roger Morrice (1677-1691) ed. Mark Goldie et al. (6v) (Includes fully searchable CD-ROM)
- G.A. Robinson Papers (State Library of NSW) [microform]
- Periodicals Archive Online (PAO): 6 collections, approx. 100 titles per collection
- Women, Education and Literature [microform] Pt. 3

### Part 1.

### Part 2. Subscriptions from Library’s general fund:

### Part 3. Hong Kong Re-export Statistics, Hong Kong Census and Statistics Dep. [CDRom]

### Part 4. Industrial Statistics Database, UNIDO [CDRom]

### 5iii New Serial Proposals
Part 5. New serial proposals for the consideration of HUMLAC, SOCSCILAC and ECGLAC were tabled.

5iv Expensive Items Proposals

Part 6. Proposals for the purchase of expensive items for the consideration of HUMLAC, SOCSCILAC and ECGLAC were tabled.

Part 7.

6. COLLECTION RELOCATION PROJECT UPDATE REPORT

- Sue Kosse circulated and tabled the Collection Relocation Project Report
- It was noted that the Project had been funded by the ANU
- The ability for the Library to maintain a 24 hour turn around for physical resources has been met in the main
- Little negative feedback has been received from clients to date. Academic and student community reporting they are pleased with the delivery of electronic files of material from the repository
- It was noted that the Library is grateful to the academic community for their understanding during the transition period of resources being relocated to the Repository
- The project has been well planned and the relocation has been successful to date
- Staffing of the Repository will continue to be monitored based on the increase in requests to date in 2008
- Usage data of the Repository continues to be monitored

  - Some material has been transferred from the off-campus store to the respective Library location on campus as demand changes
  - The Repository Collection also includes University of Sydney material
  - Project continues to be on budget and on schedule
  - The forward growth strategy for the Repository is to replace the open shelving with compactus
  - The lack of service on weekends was noted
  - The overall outcome of the project has resulted in more learning spaces for clients which was noted has had a great deal of usage by students at the Chifley, Menzies and Hancock Precincts
  - The PARSA representative identified that the increased learning spaces at Chifley were not conducive to all students, especially post-graduate students
  - It was noted that we also need to accommodate new learning behaviours of students in creating these increased learning spaces. The increased noise levels were noted.
  - It was agreed that Library staff would circulate around the Library building to monitor areas identified as having increased noise levels
  - Committee members agreed that a notice to clients where material could not be made available within 24 hours, clients would be notified/alerted.
ACTION: Library staff to circulate around the Library building to monitor areas identified as having increased noise levels
ACTION: Clients to be notified/alerted when material unable to be delivered with 24 hours from Repository

6i 4th Floor Chifley Library

- The temporary closure of the 4th floor at Chifley Library was closed
- Temporary closure is due to the re-flooring required, resulting from the 2007 Storm damage.
- Re-flooring to take place from end June to end July
- Chifley Library will run a retrieval service during this period
- The closing of the 4th floor during this period for Health and Safety reasons (noise levels removing flooring and shelving as well as odours from glues when re-flooring)
- A formal apology was recorded for any inconvenience caused to students and academics during this period.

Keturah Whitford left the meeting at 11.55 for teaching purposes

- OPEN ACCESS: A POLICY PROPOSAL
  - A late paper entitled Open Access: a Policy Proposal was circulated prior to the date of the meeting for members' consideration
  - Government support for the proposal was noted
  - The proposal was in support of making research data publically available and supporting enabling access to that data
  - The proposal has been supported by the University Research Committee and will now be taken to the Colleges
  - There was some discussion around clarification of the term metadata
  - There was concern expressed by Committee members of some of the accompanying research data in the area of the social sciences and humanities (including interview data from research participants)
  - There was some discussion about researchers' relationships with their publishers and how research can both meet the proposal and work within the conditions of publishers publishing the research.

- NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA REPORT
  - Meredith Batten, Manager Overseas Collection Development from the National Library of Australia provided a Report on recent developments relevant to the social sciences and humanities
  - See attached Report
  - Major electronic products subscribed to by the National Library were reported
  - Offsite access to electronic databases and extension of wireless access was reported
  - A Report on the National Library’s Newspaper Digitisation Project was provided
  - The National Library's new catalogue interface was reported on
• Newspaper Digitisation Project progress report was provided
• Pacific Projects progress report was provided
• A list of titles accessible remotely will be made available via the National Library’s website.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

• The backlog of shelving was noted by Committee members and in particular the Library was asked to address the issue of re-shelving of 2-day loans

**ACTION:** Library to address issue of re-shelving of 2-day loans at Chifley

The meeting closed at 12.40pm.