

**PSL LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 2, 2015**  
**Rare Books Conference Room**

**In Attendance (Committee/Voting Members):**

Ali Roghani – SOM  
Michaela Jansen – SOM  
Ted Reid – SOM  
Susan Bergeson – SOM  
Allan Eisenbaum – SOM  
Katie Bennett – SOAH  
Monish Makena – GBS  
Virginia Miller – SON (present via online conference call)

Dr. Roghani (Chair) called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM and a quorum was reached. The minutes were approved for the previous 11-17-14 meeting and will be posted on the library's website.

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

**Developing a resource bank**

Virginia Miller, Associate Professor from School of Nursing discussed the possibility of developing a resource bank as an added location to the libraries homepage. She suggested that the library look into the possibility of adding materials such as those included in the Beryl Institute.

**Library decision process to discontinue carrying certain publications**

It was questioned why the Western Journal of Nursing Research was dropped. This journal is used extensively by one of the nursing courses; and Dr. Miller is concerned that the library will no longer carry the journal.

Richard stated the Western Journal of Nursing Research was dropped because, it is part of a Sage publication package and price went abnormally high. Usually the library is forced to buy journals in packages not in single copies. Richard expressed hope that the journal might be restored in the next fiscal year.

**Nature publishing titles**

Springer Verlag has acquired Nature Publishing Group; and libraries have as yet no idea of future pricing models.

Nature has a reputation for expensive publications with exorbitant annual increases. Susan Bergeson suggested there be a survey that would rank the most used journals.

The Committee has requested to see the Nature title list and price information for the next meeting.

**Attendance discussion**

The School of Medicine requested that the library extend hours to additional Sunday morning hours. The School of Medicine funded \$4,600 to fund the additional hours for the remainder of this fiscal year. The School of Medicine indicated that it would fund the full year of these additional hours for the full year in the future as well. This is approximately \$6,000.00 per year.

**Discussions:**

An informal discussion took place with Monish Makena, Student Committee in Biomedical Sciences. Students are requesting to have standing desks and dual screens in the library study rooms. Monish stated dual screens are easier to read and help multitask. Richard will look into the costs and possibility.

There is a possibility there will be a meeting sometime in March and next meeting will be in April.

**Next Meeting:**

April 13, 2015

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 PM