

MINUTES OF THE SCIENTIFIC LIBRARY USER COMMITTEE
February 2, 2016
ATRF Conference Room E1203 and Telecom

Members in attendance: Sue Fox, Tracie Frederick, Andi Gnuschke, Walter Hubert, Randy Johnson, Lyuba Khavrutskii, Howard Young, Matt Fivash

Guest in attendance: Alan Doss

Absent: Xiaoli Jiao, Henri Tuthill, Ravi Ravichandran, Mukul Sherekar, Andy Stephen, Tommy Turbyville

AGENDA TOPICS:

Linguamatics update (Alan Doss)

The Linguamatics Evaluation Committee recommended the purchase of the I2E text-mining tool. A report with the recommendation was submitted to NCI and an approval is pending. If the purchase is approved, the library may potentially be responsible for providing training.

Library account login options

Ravi Ravichandran had asked if it is possible to use the NIH login to access the Library's Article/Book Request Form and Library account login page, similar to what the Library offers for the off-site access login. It is possible to change the Article/Book Request form to use that; however, that would be the only method of authenticating with the form. Library administrators decided to keep the form as it is now, using the Library barcode/PIV number to log in. At this time, it is not possible to use the NIH login with the Library account login page because of the need to go through a third party vendor for authentication.

Statistics for updated Library website

Tracie provided Scientific Library website analytics which showed steady usage of the library's electronic resources. Howard asked if there was any benchmarking data from other similar organizations. Tracie to research benchmarking data.

Altmetric focus groups

Tracie noted that there was good participation for the Altmetric focus group. Two vendors, Plum Analytics and Altmetric, came and gave demos and presentations. There was not a clear-cut "winner" between the two vendors. Plum Analytics ended up being the preferred vendor due to lower cost. The Library will be making a formal recommendation to NCI for the purchase.

Predatory journals

General information about predatory journals has been provided to the community via an article in the library's newsletter. This topic should also be discussed at the upcoming publishing workshop (see below).

Draft Scientific Library user survey

The committee reviewed the survey questions established by the library. The committee voted to move forward with the user survey. Tracie and the library will be working with DMS to get the survey out.

Upcoming events

"How to Get Published in a Research Journal" will be scheduled for the April/May timeframe.

The next Scientific Library User Group meeting will be held in April 2016 in Building 549 and will include a teleconference option as well.