

At the standing Library Committee meeting of 20 October 2011, the committee voted unanimously to endorse a resolution entitled "MU Library Committee Policy on Faculty Communication and Consultation". The committee unanimously approved this document and presented it to Director Cogswell, as recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

This policy has a long history: it was first drafted and approved in 2006, revised in 2011, and reviewed one final time at the meeting of 20 September 2012. This document unequivocally states the importance of real faculty participation in major decisions involving the library collections.

#### MU Library Committee Policy on Faculty Communication and Consultation Updated October 2011

- 1) The MU Library Committee shall be informed as early as possible of any proposed changes to journal subscriptions recommended by the Collections Steering Committee or any similar internal Library Staff Committee . We are especially interested in having a voice in decisions concerning the conversion of print to digital formats as well as cancellations, which, we understand, may again become necessary in Fiscal Year 2013. A member of the Library Committee, designated by the Committee chair, shall be permitted to attend relevant meetings of the CSC.
- 2) If any specific changes are recommended with regard to a given subscription involving i) a shift from print to e-format, ii) a shift from e-format to print, or iii) a shift from subscription to document delivery, the relevant liaison librarian should consult the relevant departmental Library representative(s) in as timely a manner as possible to allow consideration of department preferences based on research and teaching priorities.
- 3) The Library Committee should expand its website, currently under [committees.missouri.edu](http://committees.missouri.edu), to include more recent documents and other material relevant to faculty. There should be a link to the committee's page from the main Libraries website.
- 4) The Library Committee should take an active role in the Library's Open Access efforts as a path toward greater independence from inflated serials costs.
- 5) The Library Committee should be as active as possible in monitoring library budget and policy developments that may impact research and teaching.

Once approved, this document will be entered in the minutes as a confirmed agreement along with a record of relevant discussion, changes (if any), and the date approved.