

**COUNCIL OF UNIVERSITY LIBRARIANS
16 MARCH 2012**

DECISIONS TAKEN

- CoUL approved the journal [evaluation project communications plan](#) and acknowledged the “[UC Digital Collection Development Strategy](#)” document.
- CoUL agreed to direct SOPAG to charge a Task Force to pursue the issue of the UC Libraries’ digital preservation strategy. Questions the Task Force is expected to address include:
 - a. What is the relationship between Merritt as one of the preservation strategies employed by the UC libraries and other such strategies (including HathiTrust, LOCKSS/CLOCKSS, Portico, Chronopolis, DPN)?
 - b. What are the overlaps and/or gaps between those strategies?
 - c. What strategy or combination of strategies will best minimize systemwide preservation risks, management overheads, and costs?
- CoUL agreed to constitute two *ad hoc* committees to prepare discussion outlines for the UC Libraries’ next organized discussion with OCLC.
 - a. Committee to scope operational issues for discussion: Luc Declerck, Anne Frankel, Patti Martin, John Riemer
 - b. Committee to scope strategic issues for discussion: Donald Barclay, Karen Butter, Laine Farley, Ginny Steel, Gary Strong
- CoUL endorsed CDC’s recommendation that UC continue to support arXiv and awaits CDC’s formal proposal for campus co-investment.
- CoUL received the report “Affiliate Licensing Feasibility Study and Recommendations” prepared by consultant October Ivins. CoUL supports pursuing a business plan for an Extension Services clientele, in addition to developing strategies for supporting other high-profile affiliates (e.g., the Salk Institute in San Diego, NCIRE at the SF VA Hospital, the Gallo Institute in Emeryville).
- CoUL agreed to direct SOPAG to consider how shared extramural print collection initiatives might best be organized to ensure collaborative oversight and timely decision-making, with appropriate expertise, authority, and accountability.
- CoUL agreed to write a letter to California’s Representatives and Senators supporting the re-introduced FRPAA legislation (a letter that, additionally, can be re-purposed for local campus use if desired).