COUNCIL ON LIBRARIES
Minutes for meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2012
Treasure Room, Baker Library

COL members present: Jeffrey Horrell, Sharon Bickel, Vladimir Chernov, James Dorsey, Matissa Hollister, Klaus Mladek, Johathan Erdman ’12, Juan Sanchez ’13, Ellen Waite-Franzen, Inge-Lise Ameer
Library Staff: Elizabeth Kirk, Cynthia Pawlek, David Seaman

The meeting began at 12:05 pm.

1. Welcome and introductions

2. Approval of minutes for the 1-17-12 meeting was deferred until the next meeting.

3. New planned space for Dana library and interim space during construction: Laura Cousineau, the new Director of Dartmouth Biomedical Libraries provided a brief presentation and slides outlining “architect concept” plans for a new building that will house Dana library, the Sociology and Anthropology departments, a gathering space and café as well as The Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy and Clinical Practice and The Dartmouth Center for Health care Deliver Science. This new complex would be constructed on the site of the existing Dana library and Gilman Laboratory buildings (which would both be demolished). COL members asked a number of questions about the new building complex as well as plans to keep Dana library activities fully functional during the demolition/construction phase.

4. Dartmouth Library storage options: Jennifer Taxman (Head of Access Services) presented an overview of the challenges and current physical spaces that house Records Management and Library Storage for Dartmouth. The possibility of collaborating with University of Pennsylvania to utilize a remote location to store library volumes (in New Jersey) was discussed. An alternative proposal was outlined to use available space at 56 Etna Rd in Lebanon, NH (where Record Management is already housed). Major advantages of this 2nd option would be the close physical location with courier services that are already in place, the fact that Dartmouth owns the building, and the opportunity for expansion in the future. COL members voiced their enthusiastic support for this local option.

5. Announcements: Because the next scheduled meeting (March 20) falls during interim break, COL members present were asked for feedback about whether the meeting should be canceled. It was decided that all members would be polled by email.

The meeting adjourned at 1:32 pm.

Above minutes were approved at 4/17/12 COL meeting.