

Attachment 4

RESOLUTION: 3/13/18

Resolution for Maintaining Library Support

WHEREAS Kansas State University has a goal of becoming a top 50 public research university, and

WHEREAS research faculty require efficient access to current literature to be competitive in the grants arena as well as to publish in a timely manner, and

WHEREAS undergraduate students and graduate students both require access to scholarly literature and instruction in locating and evaluating quality information sources, and

WHEREAS faculty, graduate students and other professionals (e.g., postdoctoral researchers) require access to literature to publish their theses and peer-reviewed publications, and

WHEREAS faculty and students in locations away from the main campus (including Global Campus, Polytechnic, Olathe, Research and Extension, emeritus professors, and others) rely heavily upon access to remotely available publications, and

WHEREAS our land grant mission compels us to provide quality library resources and services to the citizens of the State of Kansas, and

WHEREAS Kansas State University is engaged in developing a new budget model that emphasizes Responsibility Centered Management, and

WHEREAS the cost of maintaining subscriptions and access to resources that are required to support teaching and research continues to escalate beyond ordinary inflation rates,

BE IT RESOLVED that Kansas State University should investigate ways to preserve library resources and services, as necessary, for the support of teaching, research, and service to further the university's missions, fulfill grant obligations, and allow faculty, students, and the public to be productive and successful in their academic and professional careers.

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