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Walking the Walk: A Path to Support Open Access Publishing

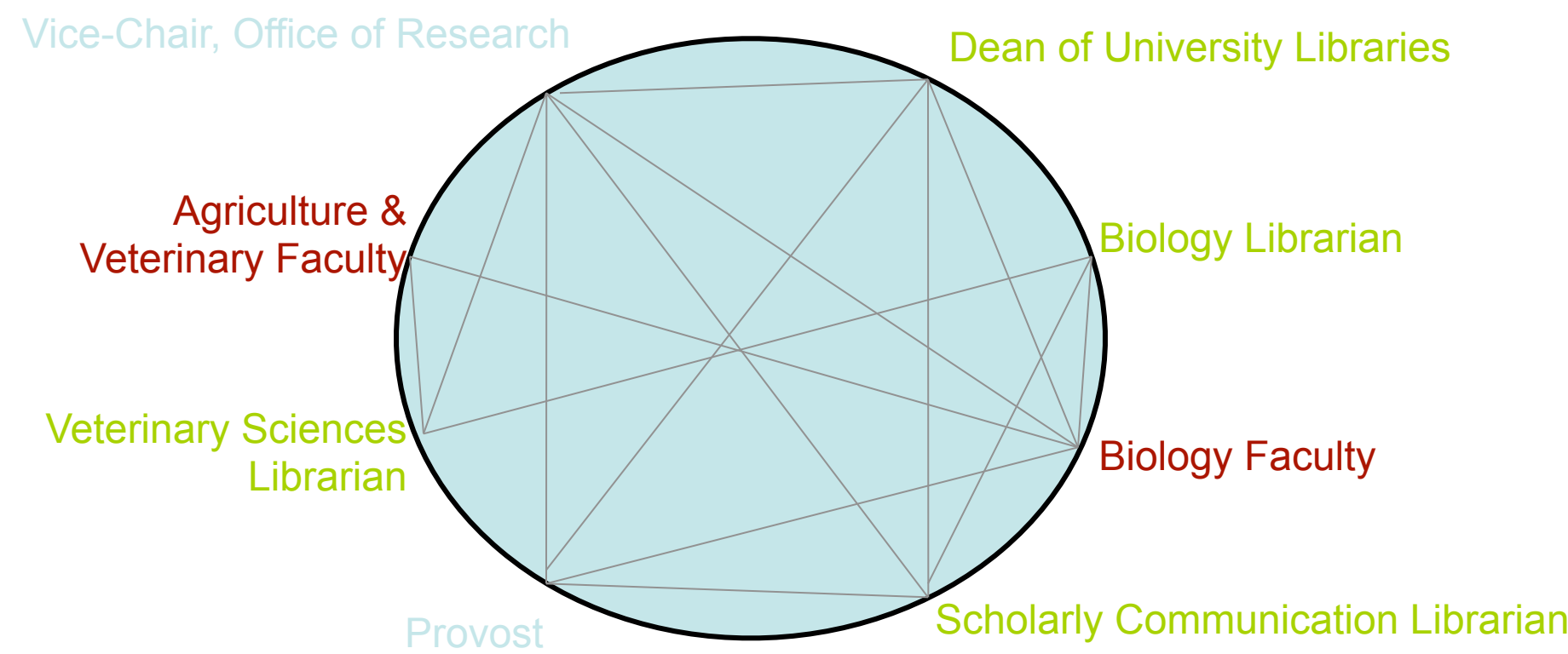


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The Office of Research and University Libraries established a fund of \$20,000 for FY 2008-2009 to support publishing in open access journals.

Project Collaboration



Project Details

Open Access Definition used for Pilot Program

OA journals perform peer review and then make the approved contents freely available to the world. Their expenses consist of peer review, manuscript preparation, and server space. (Suber, 2004)

Promotional Approach to Faculty

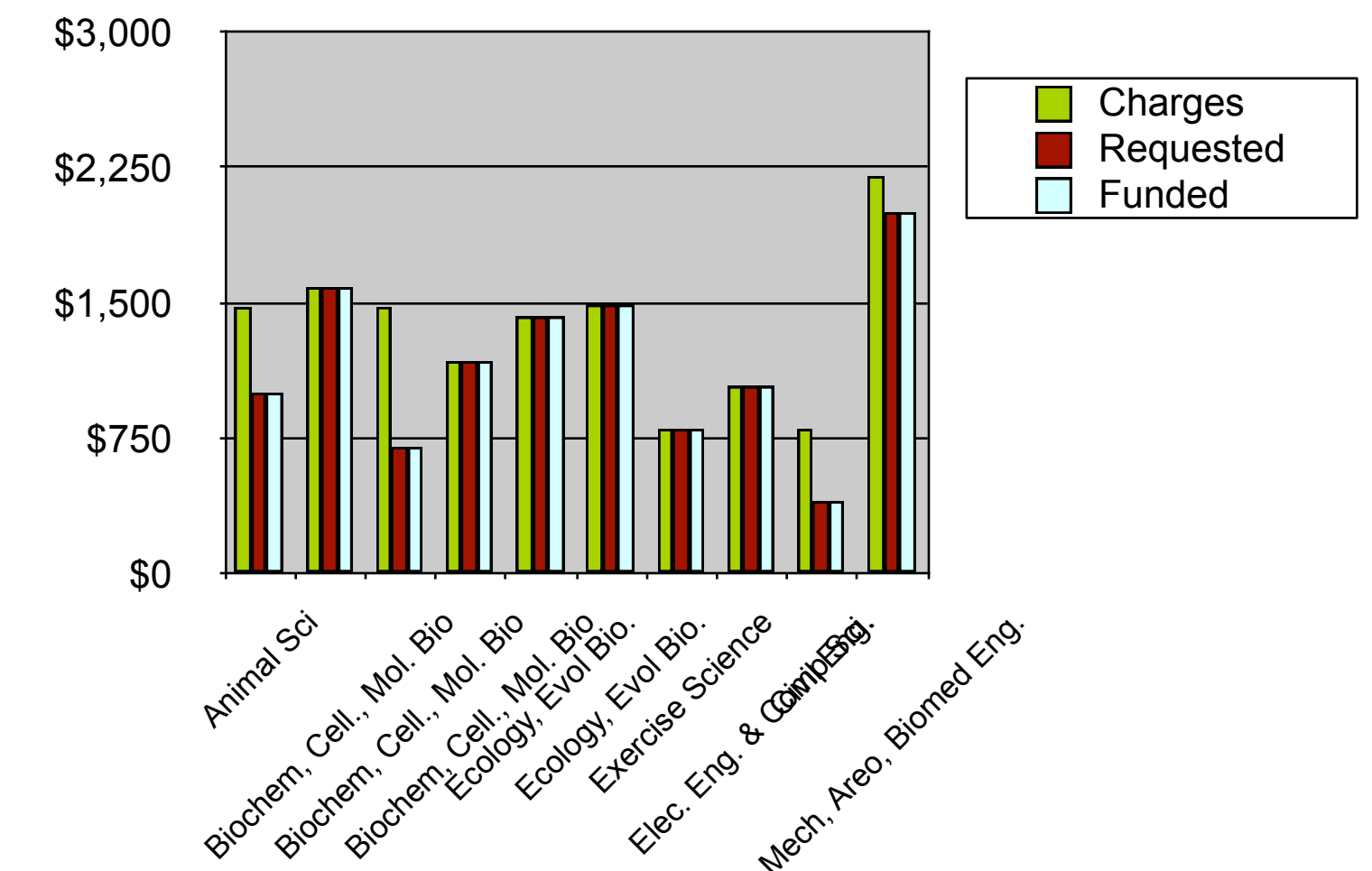
- ✓ The Open Publishing Support Fund: improves access to UTK research
- ✓ enables authors to retain their copyrights
- ✓ raises campus awareness about the benefits of open access
- ✓ accelerates the online availability of peer-reviewed scientific and scholarly journal articles generated by UTK researcher

Program Eligibility

- UTK faculty member, post-doctoral associate, or currently enrolled graduate student
- must be peer-reviewed
- Funds are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis
- Article must be freely available immediately
- a maximum of \$3,000 per article
- Hybrid journals are not considered
- Office of Research Decides

Outcomes

Statistics of Funded Requests



Request Summary Data

- 11 received, 10 funded (unfunded request was for a hybrid journal; two other inquires were received for hybrids)
- ❖ 10 faculty, 1 graduate student
- ❖ 7 departments
- ❖ 3 publishers funded (Bentham, BioMed Central, PLoS)
- ❖ \$11,607 approved
- ❖ \$1,607 average cost per article

1. Collaboration among top level administration, faculty and librarians to control publishing costs.

2. Campus-wide OA promotion

3. Encourages faculty to negotiate all publishing charges

4. Faculty consider OA journals

← **Benefits**

1. Limited Funds

2. Hybrids not included

3. Sustainability of pilot program

Challenges →

