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**University of South Florida St. Petersburg Library Faculty Council: Open Access Resolution  
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We, the Library Faculty Council at the University of South Florida St. Petersburg, support open access to scholarship. To enhance these goals we resolve:

1. Whenever possible, to publish our own scholarship in open access friendly publications that:
  - a. Allow the publisher's version of the manuscript to be available at no charge immediately or,
  - b. Allow the full text preprint or post-print to be freely available at no cost to the general public immediately upon publication or after a reasonable embargo period.
2. To promote open access policies to our USFSP colleagues by:
  - a. Assisting them in locating open access friendly publishers.
  - b. Providing advice on how to negotiate open access friendly publishing contracts.
  - c. Encouraging them to assign Creative Commons licenses to their works to protect their intellectual property while still allowing access and appropriately credited use of their scholarship.
3. To promote the use of the USFSP Digital Archive by:
  - a. Entering our own scholarship into the archive so that it will be easily searchable on the open Web.
  - b. Encouraging and assisting our USFSP colleagues to contribute their work to the archive.