Meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm

1. The agenda, as distributed, was approved.

2. It was decided not to elect a Chair at this meeting since not everyone on the Committee was present.

3. Several members of the Committee are somewhat uncomfortable with the way we have been using Google Scholar information as a rough measure of journal impact and a discussion ensued about the “noise” in the Google data and some possible alternatives where SSCI does not provide an impact factor. Josh pointed out that there is some published research that attempts to develop alternative impact factors and agreed to talk to Mary about possibly computing these alternative indexes for our journals.

4. Herb presented evidence of journal quality for the 12 accounting journals and 2 tax journals currently ranked as “High Quality” in the CBA rankings that lack SSCI factors. Based on the available evidence (or lack thereof), the following actions were taken:

   (1) Accounting and the Public Interest, Asia-Pacific Journal of Accounting & Economics, Journal of International Accounting Research and ATA Journal of Legal Tax Research were re-classified from the “High Quality” category to the “Quality” category.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Herb Hunt
Recording Secretary

These minutes have been approved.