

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE SENATE
LIBRARY POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

ACADEMIC YEAR 2011-2012

The Library Policy Advisory Committee met October 28, 2011, February 15, 2012, and March 28, 2012.

These meetings provided informational updates related to the three libraries, including hiring of new personnel, retirements, library services for patrons, operating hours, and construction. The committee passed a resolution of appreciation and thanks to Rita Reusch for her service to the university as Director of the Quinney Law Library.

The committee engaged in a discussion of the issues surrounding Open Access, particularly in light to the draft policy which was circulated to the CAD and Cabinet by the Marriott administration in the Fall. The committee decided not to take any action pending the final report of the Presidential Task Force on Open Access. After receiving this report in March 2012, the committee considered a resolution encouraging faculty to take advantage of new technologies to increase availability of its work. The committee voted to forward the resolution to the Senate, but in light of certain issues which made it impossible to achieve unanimity, the resolution was withdrawn and not sent to the Senate.

The committee recommends that the Executive Committee and the Senate leadership work with it to determine the best way to utilize the committee in the future.