

FY-12 LIBRARIES COMMITTEE

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- For further information or to schedule a meeting with SenEx to discuss charges or the committee's work, contact SenEx chair Megan Greene at mgreene@ku.edu. (*Note: Be sure to use this email address; there are two "Megan Greene" in Outlook*)
- Please send minutes of each meeting to University Governance, at govern@ku.edu, for posting to the Governance web site.
- Please send recommendations for changes to the University Senate Code, the University Senate Rules and Regulations, and the Faculty Senate Rules and Regulations as early in the academic year as possible. Because of the waiting periods involved in changes to these documents, recommendations proposed after spring break may remain pending the following fall semester.
- Please send a report of the committee's actions on each of the charges, as well as any recommendations the committee wishes to make concerning charges or membership for the following academic year, to University Governance, at govern@ku.edu. Please include the names of committee members and submit the report by April 1, 2012. If the committee still expects to conduct business after April 1, please submit a report by April 1 and later submit any addenda that may be appropriate.

Standing charges:

1. Monitor the Libraries' long-range planning and allocation of resources—staff, physical space, equipment, collections, digitally-based information, etc.—in light of the needs of different academic disciplines and the flat budget situation. Assess the adequacy of these plans and resource allocations to support teaching (including both undergraduate and graduate) and research. Report issues and recommendations for action to SenEx. (ongoing)
2. Monitor the effectiveness of communication between the Libraries and students, faculty, and staff, about topics including but not limited to library-based instruction in classes and academic programs in support of university-wide learner outcomes. Report issues and recommendations for action to SenEx. (ongoing)
3. Obtain a report from the Open Access advisory board concerning implementation, activities, and long-range planning for Open Access at KU. Provide an update on the progress of the implementation of the Open Access policies and the activities of the Open Access Board as they relate to faculty and students. Report issues and recommendations for action to SenEx by 4/1/12.
4. Seek information from the KU faculty, staff, and students about their concerns by, for example, monitoring audience participation at the Dean of the Libraries "State of the Libraries" presentation. Report issues and recommendations for action to SenEx. (ongoing)
5. Convene an open meeting with Libraries faculty and staff, including liaisons to academic departments, in the fall semester. Report issues and recommendations for action to SenEx by 12/1/11.

Specific charges:

1. Report on issues related to the libraries' decoupling from IT with reference to services, collaborative models, and workforce. Report issues and recommendations for action to SenEx by 12/1/11.

2. Collect information on collaboration with KUMC Libraries Committee. Report on the issues associated with this initiative and make recommendations as warranted. Report issues and recommendations for action to SenEx by 4/1/12.
3. Seek information on Library Value and Return on Investment as described in the Libraries Committee's FY-11 annual report. [This relates to how libraries create value and how they measure the return on institutional investment derived from their collections and services.] Report issues and make recommendation to SenEx by 4/1/12.
4. Review the Library dean's consultants report, provide input relevant to the report, and monitor changes made due to the report's findings.