

AcAB – Appendix 1 (2/18/14)

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Will and Gabe,

Here's my summary of the Library Committee meeting of Feb. 13, 2014:

The Library Committee continues to listen to feedback from music faculty and students in order to make the recent move of the music library to VanWylen Library more user friendly – especially for those who are finding the change difficult. The VW Library external review will take place on February 23-26 and includes an extensive schedule of interviews. The library will conduct a survey of students (the HEDS Research Practices Survey) as part of its ongoing effort to improve services. The committee assisted in brainstorming ways to promote student participation. Finally, in conjunction with the Oberlin group, the library is continues to consider issues related to e-book contracts. The committee discussed a proposed advocacy statement prepared by the Oberlin group. E-books present a variety of challenges, including some that could threaten the way libraries share materials between institutions.

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