



Role, Scope, and Membership of The Library Advisory Committee
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The Library Advisory Committee of The Robert E. Webber Institute for Worship Studies (IWS) plays an integral role in providing assistance with the procedures, planning, and direction of the IWS Library. Given the various participants and stakeholders involved in the library, it is important that the Committee's involvement be clarified. The purpose of this document is to establish and clarify the Committee's role, scope, and membership.

The role of the Library Advisory Committee is to provide input on library planning and procedural changes and to assist the Library Director in gaining feedback related to these matters. Such assistance may include reviewing documents or recommendations created by the Library Director, as well as reviewing such provided by other members of the IWS community.

Although the Library Advisory Committee provides important input and recommendations on library-related issues, the scope of its involvement is advisory in nature and does not have decision-making authority. Final decision-making authority on library matters rests with the Library Director.

The varied constituencies comprising the Committee's membership are intended to ensure that the concerns and interests of institutional stakeholders are taken into consideration. Membership includes the following representatives from the IWS community: the Library Director, the IWS Bibliographer, the IWS Director of Technical Services, a Faculty representative, a domestic student representative, and an international student representative. The Library Director, the IWS Bibliographer, and the IWS Director of Technical Services are permanent members of the Committee. The Faculty representative serves a two year term. Student representatives serve on the Committee from the time of their nomination until their IWS graduation. Committee composition should strive to reflect the full racial, ethnic, sex, socio-economic, denominational, and age diversity of the IWS community.