


The 145th

 ARL Membership Meeting

Collections & Access Committee Meeting October 13, 2004

Highlights

Convened by Alice Prochaska, Yale University, Chair

- Updates and Discussions with Representatives of:
 - Center for Research Libraries
 - Library and Archives Canada
 - Library of Congress
- Measuring Collections
 - Members of the Collections and Access Issues Committee have been invited to attend the Wednesday morning meeting of the Statistics and Measurement Committee to join a discussion about the process ARL needs to develop to understand how to measure collections in an environment of increased emphasis on digital resources. In this new environment, what are the metrics that are appropriate for describing and characterizing collections, and what collection trends are particularly important to identify and track over time?
 - Committee members will provide an update on the discussion and possible follow-up activities by the Collections and Access Issues Committee.
- The Application of Technology to Learning and Research
Clifford Lynch will join the Committee to lead a discussion on how emerging technologies, such as course/learning management systems, SAKAI, and open source software, are influencing libraries' support for learning and research.
- Updates on and advice for
 - AAU/ARL Global Resources Network
 - ARL Special Collections Task Force
 - Enhancing Catalog Browsing Project

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