Proposal for a Library Technology Subcommittee
for the CUNY Committee on Academic Technology

Reasons to establish a Library Technology Subcommittee

- Spotlight issues and resources that should be part of the CUNY CAT''s agenda
- Find linkages between library technology and the technology commonly discussed in CUNY CAT meetings by other subcommittees:
    - Digital Scholarship Subcommittee: Academic Works, preservation of born digital content, copyright, open access
    - Blackboard Subcommittee: integration with library resources, streaming video, OER
    - Academic Commons Subcommittee: Academic Works
- There are a number of members of the CUNY CAT who are librarians, library staff, or have an interest in library technology and might want to be part of the subcommittee (we would of course want the subcommittee to also include people who are not on other library committees or who don't work in libraries).

Topics the subcommittee might want to focus on

- New or evolving tools, services, and resources
    - OneSearch
    - Academic Works
    - Streaming video services
    - Self-checkout machines
    - Support for online learning
    - Textbooks and OER
    - Laying groundwork for CUNY-wide acquisition of a unified resource management system (e.g., Alma from Ex Libris)
    - Universal CUNY-affiliate access to wireless on every campus
    - CUNY-wide printing system that lets students use a single card
    - Affiliation in consortial efforts/open publishing projects outside of CUNY that leverage libraries collectively (e.g., joining HathiTrust or making our own HathiTrust-like system, joining OAPEN)
    - Developing and managing a distributed retrospective remote journal repository like Western Regional Storage Trust
- Issues we are confronting
    - Low use of subscription resources
    - Open access
    - Copyright and fair use
    - Preservation of born-digital content
    - Roadblocks to students and faculty from one CUNY campus trying to use the library at another CUNY campus