



Strategic Plan Refresh 2009 - 2011

Key to Terms

BC ELN: the British Columbia Electronic Library Network is a partnership of the Province of British Columbia, its public post-secondary libraries, and affiliated members. The BC ELN Office is one component of the network of partners.

Bold Step (Goal): Bold steps are the broad actions intended to help BC ELN achieve its Central Vision Goal. The BC ELN Steering Committee endorsed the 2006 - 2011 Central Vision Goal, Strategic Vision Goals, Bold Steps, Mission, and Core Values and Principles in July 2006.

Strategy (Objective): a Strategy is a suggested means for accomplishing a Bold Step. Strategies were originally identified through suggestions from the March 20 - 22 Strategic Planning Session (see the Full Report, p. 24, downloadable from: <http://www.eln.bc.ca/view.php?id=1275>), and subsequent consultation and investigation2 cm B 0.0092 g009(www./3.9 cm BT 0.00 5 3 (l Q5)) 4 (,)8) 1 0n2 cm B 0.0egdenttn5 (t) bgattphp

Strategy 1.2 BC Library Collections Gateway (Resource Sharing)

Support and expand provincial resource sharing network (BC Library Collections Gateway)

Rationale

Libraries extend their collections beyond their walls to encompass much more of the province's resources through resource sharing. The BC ELN Office coordinates resource sharing technologies, including the reSearcher software suite, OutLook OnLine, and the Ariel Document Delivery Network, and facilitates resource sharing policy and service development.

Strategy 1.4 Information Literacy

Partner with community led initiatives, such as ALPS Link, to develop repositories for sharing of information literacy materials.

Indicators of Achievement

Meet contract terms for administrative services related to the consortium purchase and delivery of electronic information resources to members

Strategy 2.3: Expanded Learning Resources (Multi-Sector Bundle)

BC ELN, Public Library Services Branch, and the Educational Resources Acquisitions Consortium (ERAC) license a core suite of resources for all British Columbians, and pursue a coordinated approach to licensing whenever it provides benefits for all.

Rationale

A coordinated approach makes it possible to provide the most resources at an affordable cost, and to provide a set of resources to support lifelong learning. Students enter post-secondary with some familiarity with basic resources, and graduates continue to have access to as many resources as possible to facilitate evidence based practice and ongoing learning. Having a common core suite of resources supports and facilitates other BC ELN initiatives, such as collaborative virtual reference.

Benefits

- Extend the benefits of group licensing, as outlined in strategy 1.1. BC ELN contributes for the benefit of all, and BC ELN partner libraries experience greater benefits (more cost-savings, more sharing of expertise) than can be achieved through BC ELN alone.

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Bold Step 3: Develop Digital Collections

Strategy 3.1: Facilitate the Creation of Digital Collections

Play a facilitative role in provincial digitization initiatives (e.g. identifying stakeholders, coordinating meetings and communications). Partner with other organizations interested in creating and preserving BC digital collections.

Rationale

Bold Step 4: