

ACCESS TO HIGH QUALITY INFORMATION THROUGH LIBRARY COLLABORATION

Report of the Committee of Library Directors (CLD) to the Cape Higher Education Consortium (CHEC) Board

It gives me great pleasure to report on activities for the period January to October 2019.

Meetings. Two meetings of the CLD were held in 2019.

Corporate identity. The former CALICO logo was updated to reflect the new name.

Website. A CHELiN website has been developed, hosted by Stellenbosch University. All institutions will contribute to the content. As soon as the website is live, CHELiN will request that it be linked to the CHEC website.

Updated Reciprocal Access and Borrowing Agreement. The agreement has been updated to reflect the lastest policy changes at Stellenbosch University regarding access during examination periods. Copy attached, for notification.

Borrowing and visitors' statistics database. A database has been established where each institution can record its own statistics.

ilifu Research Data Management (RDM) and Open Science. The activities of the Working Group will be extended beyond June 2019, the date originally set for the completion of the activities of the Group. A proposal is pending for a data management platform after December 2020, when the DIRISA-funded subscription to Figshare will end.

Training initiatives. There is a need for a NACO training course for metadata librarians / cataloguers in the Western Cape. Please refer to CHELiN's funding request to the CHEC Board, attached.

Shared Regional Library Collection Management. The CLD does not have anything to report on this topic, as little progress has been made during 2019.

Working groups, task teams and communities of practice established:

- Shared Regional Library Collection Management Task Team. Chair: Dr Reggie Raju (UCT).
- Access and Borrowing Working Group. Chair: Mr Trevor Fortune (UWC).
- Ad hoc Working Group for the CHELiN Website. Convenor: Ms Natasja Malherbe (SU).
- ilifu RDM Working Group. Co-ordinator: Dr Elisha Chiware (CPUT).
- A community of practice for systems librarians, which will meet as required, with fluid memberhip.

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