

E-HLBC STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Thursday, November 19, 2015 (10:00 – 11:00 am)

Location: Room 2200 (RBC Dominion Securities Executive Meeting Room), SFU Harbour Centre, 515 Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC

Participants:

In Person:

Jean Blackburn (VIU)
Dawne Bohme (BINM)
Fiona Chiu (PABC)
Ken Cooley (UVic)
Megan Crouch (SFU)
Ana Maria Ferrinho (BCIT)
April Haddad (JIBC)
Shannon Long (VCHA)
Karen MacDonell (CPSBC, Chair)
Todd Mundle (KPU, Vice-Chair)
Kristina Oldenburg (VCC/RMTABC)
Cathy Rayment (PHSA)
Debbie Schachter (Douglas)
Cass Strong (FNHA)
Venessa Wallsten (QUC)
Emma Wright (FNHA)

Regrets:

Janet Campbell (BCASLPA)
Rosie Croft (RRU)
Alison Curtis (Langara)
Susan Firbank (HEABC)
Trina Fyfe (UNBC)
Marci Gibson (WorkSafe)
Aline Goncalves (Yukon)
Ted Goshulak (TWU)
Holly McCluskey (BCAK)
Michelle Purdon (FHA)
Shahida Rashid (COTR)
Ross Tyner (Okanagan)
Lauren White (YHSS)

Teleconference:

Heather Compeau (UFV)
Cliff Cornish (IHA)
Julie Creaser (NHA)
Gregg Currie (Selkirk)
Linda Epps (NVIT)
Aleteia Greenwood (UBC)
Mary Anne Guenther (NIC)
Antje Helmuth (MoH/MCFD)
Lynn Hughes (COTR) – Alternate
Roën Janyk (Okanagan) – Alternate
Brenda Mathenia (TRU)
Karen McDowell (PHC)
Kathy Plett (CNC)
Ruth Rochlin (IHA)
Patricia Scott (Camosun)
Dawna Turcotte (NLC)
George Villavicencio (CapU)
Melanie Wilke (NWCC)
Derek Yap (Yukon) – Alternate

e-HLbc Administrative Centre:

Jennifer Bancroft (e-HLbc, Recorder)
Anita Cocchia (e-HLbc)

Agenda:

1. Welcome and Adoption of Agenda (Karen MacDonell) 10:00 – 10:15 am

The meeting was opened by e-HLbc's new Chair, K. MacDonell, who introduced herself and T. Mundle, the new Vice-Chair.

Participants were welcomed and reminded that the May 19, 2015 Steering Committee meeting minutes were approved via email and posted to the e-HLbc website:
<http://ehlbc.ca/about-us/governance/steering-committee-documents#minutes>

Attendance was taken. The First Nations Health Authority (FNHA), e-HLbc's newest affiliate member, sent two representatives to the meeting: E. Wright and C. Cass.

The agenda was adopted as tabled.

2. New Product Investigations Update (Anita Cocchia) 10:15 – 10:30 am

A. Cocchia provided an interim report on the Administrative Centre's investigation of new products for licensing by the consortium.

Three products that ranked high on the last Ranking Survey, and are now being investigated for consortial licensing, are:

1. Natural Medicines (formerly Natural Standard Database)
2. APA Books e-Collection
3. Clinical Skills (formerly Mosby's Skills)

The Administrative Centre received pricing for all three products and is currently in negotiations with the vendors.

Natural Medicines

The vendor's pricing offer is inconsistent, with different pricing for institutions of a similar type and size. The Administrative Centre is working with the vendor to revise the pricing model.

APA Books e-Collection

The APA offer is for purchase of annual collections of ebooks for the years 2001 to 2015. Access to the ebooks is only available on the PsycNET platform for a service fee of approximately \$500 USD a year.

The vendor's list prices are transparent and standardized, not leaving much room for negotiations. The only consortial discount the vendor can offer is a group participation discount of 15% off for more than 50 collections purchased.

The Administrative Centre consulted with e-HLbc members that ranked this product as high-priority on the Ranking Survey. Feedback from members confirmed that the pricing is too high and there is not enough continued interest in this offer.

Clinical Skills

Clinical Skills is an Elsevier product, previously known as Mosby's Skills. It is used extensively by nurses at the health authorities and is currently licensed by Okanagan College. As the basis of standardized nursing practices and procedures in the health authorities, Clinical Skills is an important tool for nursing students to be familiar with before starting on their careers.

The Administrative Centre is negotiating pricing for the Health sector and the Post-Secondary sector as two distinct groups. Most of the health authorities already license Clinical Skills so the focus of the negotiations was on reducing the high annual price increase (in some cases as much as 7%). The Administrative Centre and the vendor are currently discussing a 5-year license with a 2% annual price increase for Clinical Skills and several add-on modules.

The Administrative Centre is in the initial stage of negotiating pricing for the Post-Secondary sector. Elsevier's costing for each institution is based on its Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) FTEs, obtained from the Ministry of Advanced Education. The initial pricing offer is very high; for example, the cost for an institution with 900 BSN FTEs to license Clinical Skills is \$70,000 USD. Further discussions are required and negotiations will continue in early 2016.

There was a general discussion on alternate approaches to funding Clinical Skills, including applying to Ministry for funding or partnering with the College of Registered Nurses.

3. Affiliate Member Recruitment Update (Jennifer Bancroft) 10:30 – 10:40 am

The Administrative Centre, in consultation with the Management Committee, planned an affiliate member recruitment drive and targeted a number of BC health associations. In the summer, the Administrative Centre sent approximately twenty associations email invitations to join e-HLbc.

Several of the associations contacted were interested in joining e-HLbc and contacted the Administrative Centre for more information. The BC Chapter of the Canadian

Association of Occupational Therapists plans to bring up e-HLbc affiliate membership at its next board meeting.

Two private post-secondary institutions, Alexander College and Columbia Bible College, also expressed interest in e-HLbc's licensed resources. The Columbia Bible College will soon be offering a Health Care Assistant program so may in the future submit an application to join e-HLbc.

4. Progress Report – June to November 2015 (Jennifer Bancroft) 10:40 – 10:50 am

J. Bancroft provided an overview of the Administrative Centre's activities since the last Steering Committee meeting in May.

New Affiliate Member

- The First Nations Health Authority joined e-HLbc in July
- They were provided with access to Core Suite EBSCO and Ovid resources, and received training in administering e-HLbc licensed resources
- Since joining, they have licensed two boutique resources: DynaMed and EBSCO Discovery Service

Licensing Activities Survey

- The e-HLbc Licensing Activities Survey was distributed to the Steering Committee listserv today
- The purpose of this survey is to better understand how e-HLbc licensing activities are meeting the needs of members and adding value to membership in the consortium
- Input from members will help the Administrative Centre identify areas for improvement
- Survey results will be used in future reports demonstrating the benefits of e-HLbc membership

5. New Business (Karen MacDonell)

10:50 – 10:55 am

Full Text Finder

C. Rayment brought up the problems her institution experienced with the discontinuation of their *A-to-Z* product, an EBSCO knowledgebase. All EBSCO customers are having their *A-to-Z* replaced by a new product, *Full Text Finder*

While a number of committee members expressed similar frustration with *Full Text Finder*, there were several who had no trouble with the new product.

Though e-HLbc does not consortially license *Full Text Finder* as a boutique license, the consortium could still communicate member dissatisfaction to the vendor if it was felt this would be helpful.

ACTION: The Administrative Centre will investigate members' issues with Full Text Finder, and communicate these issues to the vendor.

e-HLbc's Ten-Year Anniversary

S. Long reminded the committee that e-HLbc is approaching its ten-year anniversary and asked if there are any events being planned. This will be discussed in greater detail at the next Management Committee meeting.

6. Next Meeting (Karen MacDonell)

10:55 – 11:00 am

Draft minutes from the meeting will be sent to Steering Committee representatives for approval via email. The next Steering Committee meeting will be scheduled for Spring 2016.