

Timeline: Council of Chief Librarians' involvement with access to online resources.

1997

- The Council of Chief Librarians of the California Community Colleges (CCL) published the Publication of *On-ramps to Electronic Highways: Database Trends, Practices and Expenditures in California's Community College Libraries*, comp. Mary Ann Laun (n.p.: 1997,1999) This document was central to identifying the role CCL would seek to play in providing an avenue for Community College Libraries to secure online, fulltext databases for their students. On-ramps proposed the following activities:
 1. Establishment of a consortium purchasing plan for electronic resources.
 2. Identification of a "core collection" for all students.

1998

- CCL entered into an agreement with CSU (represented by Evan Reader) and the CC League-(represented by Ray Giles), which led to the establishment of the Consortium and the CCL Electronic Access and Resources Committee (EAR).
- The CCL Executive Board passed a resolution recommending a core collection of electronic resources for all community college libraries that consisted of the following online full text resources:
 1. An online encyclopedia resource with web links to related resources
 2. An online, full text national and regional newspaper database
 3. An academic journal database in full-text
 4. A bibliographic resource (e.g., Books in Print)

1999

- Establishment of the CCL EAR Website (hosted by CSU), two listservs, and initiation of activities to review databases and negotiate contracts. By October 1999, 92 colleges were participating in the CCL-CC League consortium purchase program.

2000

- Ray Giles and Evan Reader received the CCL award for exceptional service to California Community College libraries. By October 2000, 93 colleges were participating in the CCL-CC League consortium purchase program.

2001

- CCL and the CC League reviewed activities and signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), which outlined the future of the purchasing consortium. CSU's Evan Reader announced plans to decrease CSU's involvement with the CCL-/ CC League's consortium purchasing activities. The League planned to create a Consortium Director position within the League's structure. The CCL Board noted two priorities in its press announcement:

1. CCL's first priority is to ensure the continued growth and development of the consortium purchasing project.
2. A second priority of CCL is to ensure continuing CCL management of this activity, and to carefully ensure accountability through CCL on behalf of our colleges and districts.

- In September 2001 Mary Sue Ferrell was hired as the Consortium Program Director.
- By October 2001, 94 colleges were participating in the CCL-CC league consortium purchase program.
- In November 2001 Ray Giles, Johanna Bowen, and Linda Winters presented a program on NetLibrary's Electronic Books and Online Resources at the annual conference of the League in Riverside.

2002

- By October 2002, **100%** of the California Community College Libraries were participating in the CCL-CC League consortium purchase program.

2003

- The CCL Executive Board re-approved the 2001 CCL-CC League Memorandum Of Understanding, as it had been written, for a period of two more years and enthusiastically reaffirmed the value of the relationship between the two organizations.

2004

- Council of Chief Librarians joined forces with the CCC Chief Information Systems Officers Association and the Learning Resources Association, California Community Colleges to lobby successfully for the retention of TTIP categorically restricted funding for connectivity and information resources.
- In September 2004 Sarah Raley was hired as consortium program director (she replaced Mary Sue Ferrell who retired in July 2004)

2015

- Sarah Raley retired and James Wisner was hired as the new consortium program director.