

# CCL OUTLOOK

**THE NEWSLETTER OF THE COUNCIL OF CHIEF LIBRARIANS  
CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES  
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## **CCL PRESIDENT'S UPDATE:**

To many in the community college system, it just seems like the worst of times.

Don't despair – some of the money has been restored. Don't panic – there seems to be general consensus that the Prop. 98 framework strongly protects the community colleges (the 15% cut applies only to state agencies like the CCC Chancellor's Office). Keep focused on your library's plans to serve students and faculty in the next 3-5 years. And plan, plan, plan to tell your story on campus strongly, consistently and effectively so that it's not a question of *whether* to support the program, but just a question of *how*.

Consider the following suggestions:

- Meet NOW with your colleagues in your region, and share details, problems, and help identify immediate solutions when you can. Even more importantly, do some brainstorming and develop a strategy or plan that could be used at each college to help justify and solidify \$ for library/LRC materials, programs and services.
- Identify how your materials, programs and services support distance learning and information competency efforts now and in the future.
- Can you justify e-books? If it's part of a carefully-crafted and integrated package of resources and services, there may be a chance that you can. Try to talk about how not doing so will damage your students' education.
- Document how students, faculty and staff are using your collections NOW. Get the information about online uses, circulation and especially in-house use (even if you have to quickly do a 2-week study).
- Involve your regional partners (public libraries, CSU or UC neighbor campuses, private schools, high schools, etc.) and discuss ways that they can help support you and possibly even work with other campus communities or groups on your behalf.
- Identify five key people on your campus who will participate in your college's discussions about budget, budget planning, etc. and set up a brown bag lunch meeting to share your plan, ideas, and information.

Give them an understanding of what you've been doing and what needs to happen in the next 3-5 years, and how the Library/LRC needs them as partners for this. Try to meet more than once or twice.

It's worth saying again: *We must develop and sustain links -- to faculty, students and others on our campuses -- by which we constantly talk about what we're doing, what we're planning, what we're trying to accomplish. And part of that talk needs to be about what we spend, what things cost, and what more our programs will need. These are not easy conversations to have or to sustain, especially if one's campus culture doesn't operate that way.*"

I know that it will make a difference if you work with others in your CCL regional group. There is power and action – and at least some sense of security and safety – in working together. This has worked for CCL at the state level, and it's important that we learn to do this at our regional level as well.

What can you share with your colleagues statewide concerning strategies, planning ideas, suggestions, etc., etc.? Please take some time to consider this, and share what you can through the CCL-Exec listserv ([CCL-Exec@paccd.cc.ca.us](mailto:CCL-Exec@paccd.cc.ca.us)). Let's each be guides and leaders for one another.

**Gregg Atkins, CCL President**  
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## **CCL and League Hire**

### **Cooperative Purchsase Program Manager**

CCL and the Community College League of California are pleased to announce the hiring of Mary Sue Ferrell for the newly created position of Learning Resources Consortium Director. Ms. Ferrell started work October 15 and will be located in Sacramento.

Mary Sue received her MSLS from the University of Kentucky and an MBA from Golden Gate University. She has held positions in a variety of fields including director of Learning Resources for Western Nevada Community College, a regional representative for The Faxon Company and (as many of you know) executive director at the California Library Association. Most recently she has worked as an independent consultant.

CCL President Gregg Atkins stated, "Her background with libraries, vendors, and associations fits perfectly with what we need in the new consortium director."

The League's Ray Giles expressed delight in having a person dedicated to the library program and stated, " Ferrell's goals include improving the program by offering more products and services to participating libraries."

Ms. Ferrell has already met with key CCL leaders, toured several college libraries and spent two days at the CSU Chancellor's Office meeting with her counterparts in that office. She will meet with the CCL-EAR group at its late January meeting in San Diego.

# Newsletter Information

The Council of Chief Librarians, California Community Colleges, publishes the CCL Outlook. CCL's mailing address is: 2017 O STREET, SACRAMENTO CA 95814

The editor for the 2001-2002 year is Dr. Susan Walsh, the Director of Merced College's Learning Resources Center.

*We encourage and appreciate contributions from our colleagues and friends.*

The next newsletter deadline is  
Submit contributions to:

**NOVEMBER 15, 2001**  
**Susan Walsh, Merced College LRC**  
**3600 M Street, Merced, CA 95348**

Or to:

[susan@merced.cc.ca.us](mailto:susan@merced.cc.ca.us)

The Council of Chief Librarians Web site is located at :



## C.C.L. WEBSITE

<http://www.cclccc.org>

This web page has been set up to provide information for community college librarians.

**Many thanks to Johanna Bowen at the Cabrillo College Library  
for developing and maintaining this page for us.**

Check it out and send comments, suggestions, and outright praise (if you feel like it) to:  
Johanna Bowen [jobowen@cabrillo.cc.ca.us](mailto:jobowen@cabrillo.cc.ca.us)

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### ***RECOMMENDED PROFESSIONAL READING***

Title: Dollars, distance, and online education.  
Editor: Finkelstein, M.J., Frances, C., Jewett, F., and Scholz, B.W.  
Pub. Date: 2000  
Publisher: American Council on Education / Oryx Press  
ISBN: 1 57356 395 1 Binding: Hardback Price: \$40

Title: The virtual university: the Internet and resource-based learning.  
Author: Ryan, S., Scott, B., Freeman, H., and Patel, D.  
Pub. Date: 2000  
Publisher: Kogan Page  
ISBN: 0 7494 2508 3 Binding: Paper Price: \$25



# Meeting Announcements



- CALIFORNIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 2 – 5                      LONG BEACH
- COMMUNITY COLLEGE LEAGUE  
NOVEMBER 15-17
- COUNCIL OF CHIEF LIBRARIANS BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 25, 2002                      ONTARIO
- CCL ANNUAL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 8, 2002                      OAKLAND(SEE ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWING)
- COUNCIL OF CHIEF LIBRARIANS BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 12, 2002                      SAN JOSE

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## C.C.L. ANNUAL MEETING



***COUNCIL OF CHIEF LIBRARIANS ANNUAL MEETING  
TECHNOLOGY PLANNING – THE NEXT STEPS  
GUEST SPEAKER: JOAN FRYE WILLIAMS***



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2002  
OAKLAND AIRPORT

Details of this meeting will follow in the December [Outlook](#)

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**The Council of Chief Librarians  
has a new address:**

**2017 O Street  
Sacramento CA 95814**

# News Notes

- ✓ **Accreditation Teams:**  
Gregg Atkins is serving on the team for Mendocino College.  
Johanna Bowen is serving on the team for Ohlone College.
- ✓ **Bond Measures:**  
The following community college districts are currently pursuing bond measures:  
Oxnard                      Ohlone                      Los Rios                      Butte
- ✓ **The Los Rios Community College District is changing its automated circulation system from Dynix to Innovative Interfaces.**
- ✓ **Information Competency:**  
The proposed Title V language revision concerning Information Competency is in the final stages of consultation and the plan is for it to go to the board of Governors in the spring. *(The proposed revision is included in this newsletter)*
- ✓ **Distance Education:**  
The Distance Education Technical Advisory Committee's Distance Education Report and Recommendations to Revise Title V Regulations are available on the Chancellor's Office web site. The recommendations for revisions are in the beginning stages of the consultation process.

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## Spring Elections



Early in 2002 you will be receiving nomination forms to recommend colleagues (or even yourself) for the Executive Board of the Council of Chief Librarians.

This year's elections present us with the opportunity to bring several new faces to the CCL Board. The president is termed out (yes, indeed, our by laws have term limits). The representatives from the following regions have termed out as well: East Central, West Central, Northeast, South Coast, San Diego.

Service on the CCL Board is a great opportunity to be very involved in community college library issues at the state level. During times of hardship as well as times of plenty CCL provides a voice for community college libraries. CCL works with the Chancellor's Office and other library organizations in framing the conversation on important issues such as information literacy, resources for distance education students, and others. The responsibilities of an Executive Board member (as described in CCL bylaws) will be printed in the

December OUTLOOK. Take a look and consider being a leader in this dynamic organization.

## ***THE CCL-EAR COMMITTEE***

The CCL-EAR Committee is a hardworking and committed group of librarians who meet regularly (and communicate even more frequently with each other) to provide information and insight on electronic resources to the California community college library community. The committee is comprised of skilled and knowledgeable librarians who represent the CCL regions.

At the last Executive Board meeting, the chair of CCL-EAR was authorized to engage a consultant to provide accessibility assessments of the data bases we have offered and are currently making available to libraries.

One of the most exciting resources that they have reviewed and recommended is now being offered to the California Community College – net Library. Information on this offering was sent to you by the Community College League in early October. The date for the response is November 9, 2001, but will likely be extended.

As happens often in the world of electronic resources and information, changes are happening to netLibrary. Attached is an email from Johanna Bowen, chair of CCL-EAR, outlining her thoughts on this change.

Hello everyone,

There has been a lot of news about NetLibrary's current situation. The company is, after all, up for sale. This is bad timing for the CCL & Community College League's current offer of 3000+ books. My library plans to buy the collection and we are hoping that NetLibrary will be newly-owned and going forward in January when we load the collection.

As a personal aside, let me share with you the information that after attending all the pre-conferences and programs dealing with ebooks at ALA in June, I really liked the NetLibrary model best for the college environment.

- Books are delivered over the Web to any workstation,
- Reading is not device dependent,
- A variety of traditional publishers are available
- The interface is frame based and easy to navigate
- This product fits perfectly into the model libraries are moving towards of providing fulltext library materials 24/7 on our campuses and to remote users.

I guess I am an optimist and for what it is worth my fingers are crossed in hopes that we, as librarians will be able to provide students with ebooks.

Johanna Bowen  
Cabrillo College

**LIBRARY EXPENDITURES  
FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES 1998-99  
FROM THE COUNCIL OF CHIEF LIBRARIANS**

The library expenditure report (1998-99) prepared by Tabzeera Dosu for CCL was distributed at the Chancellor's Office Meeting for Library Deans and Directors. If you were not there, a copy will be mailed to your library.

An email will be sent to you with an Excel spread sheet attachment (to open and fill out) to gather information for the 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 years. The information needs to be sent back by November 30.

We know you get too many requests for information. However, please fill out ours. This instrument has proved to be very useful to our colleagues and libraries as they plan for and ask for funding for services and materials.



## **While we are talking about information requests...**

You recently received mail from Mindy Sherman asking you to update your information for the CCL Directory and Roster.

**PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE  
TAKE THE TIME TO FILL THIS OUT AND RETURN IT TO HER.**

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## **ADDED TO THIS NEWSLETTER...**

In this newsletter, we have added the following items for your information:

- ✓ The text of the proposed revisions to Title V Regulations concerning Information Competency
- ✓ The proposed resolution concerning Accreditation Standards from the Academic Senate's 33<sup>rd</sup> Fall Resolutions Discussion packet
- ✓ The full text of Ralph Black's letter concerning New Federal Regulations Implementing Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

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## **IN THE NEXT OUTLOOK ...**

**Closed captioning: issues, ideas, and resources.**