**BCOEL Meeting via WebEx**

November 4, 2019 1pm-2pm

**Attendance:** Darcye Lovsin, Debra Flewelling, Donna Langille, Hope Power, Jonas Lamb, Lin Brander (Chair), Lindsay Tripp (Minutes), Reba Ouimet

**Regrets:** Ali de Haan, Brenda Smith, Caroline Daniels, Erin Fields, Karen Meijer-Klein, Martin Warkentin, Michel Castagné, Rosario Passos, and Sabrina Wong

1. **Welcome**
   * Lin called the meeting to order at 1pm.
2. **Agenda – changes and additions**

* None.

1. **October minutes approval**
   * The minutes were approved without changes.
2. **Open Access Week events reports – how did they go?**
   * [Can We Decolonize Open?](https://iweb.langara.bc.ca/librarycentral/blog/2019/09/11/can-we-decolonize-open/)  (Lindsay)
     + Lindsay reported that the joint OA Week event entitled *Can We Decolonize Open?* was a success. In the end, 60 people attended in person, with many more attending online. (Thanks to KPU for providing the livestream.) The keynote and panel discussions were recorded, though the last few minutes of Jessie Loyer’s keynote were cut off. KPU is investigating and we will circulate the links to attendees asap.
     + Lindsay asked whether we want to create a short survey to collect feedback from attendees. Lin uses the following format to gather feedback on instruction: One thing you liked, one thing to improve, and something else you want me (the instructor) to know. The third question could be reframed as “something you’d like to learn more about” to gather suggestions for future programming. Open-ended questions generate qualitative data that takes more time/energy to review, but the group felt this would be more formative than quantitative data (i.e. likert scales).
     + Lindsay asked the group whether they want to pursue the idea of submitting a conference proposal related to this event. From the turnout, it is clear that more people are thinking deeply about how to begin decolonizing their professional practice. (Jonas and Lin pointed out that they’ve noticed similar themes on OLA and ACRL programs.) However, no one on the Steering Committee feels they have the expertise or experience to do this important topic justice. As such, Lin suggested that we could hold space for these discussions by reaching out to the BCLA Conference Program Committee.
     + Lin followed up with BCcampus regarding their requirement that all speakers register for at least one day of the conference. In BCOEL’s experience, this excludes certain people from the conversation (i.e. busy faculty researchers on the periphery of open ed who have valuable insights but would otherwise not attend). Debra suggested that Lin follow-up with a telephone call to BCcampus, as the initial email correspondence wasn’t as productive as hoped.

**Action:** Donna and Darcye will help Lindsay with the survey (draft questions, interpret the results).

**Action:** Lindsay will follow up with the keynote speaker, Jessie Loyer, to see if she would be interested in speaking at the BCLA Conference in April. If she’s interested, Lindsay will follow up with Annette at BCLA/the BCLA Conference Program Committee.

**Action:** Lin will call BCcampus to continue the conversation regarding its conference registration requirement.

* + Additional events (all)
    - Douglas (Debra). Douglas hosted three events for Open Access Week: A session on open assignments with Will Engle from UBC and workshops on Pressbooks and the Institutional Repository. The former was quite well attended, while the latter two sessions were not. Will’s session was recorded and Douglas hopes to share it shortly.
    - BCIT (Lin). BCIT hosted a well-attended lunch-and-learn event, featuring presentations by a number of the institution’s open education grant recipients. She also attended UBC’s day-long *Open Scholarship in Practice* event, which was excellent.
    - U of Alaska (Jonas). Jonas attended a virtual Open Ed 2019 conference pre-session entitled [OERizona](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AEQYPg2stLsvv5tJ3bTEXfGwBLhCSGQdWrK-3gak9w8/edit#heading=h.gzvwd2ea425). The organizers facilitated online participation well, which is no easy feat. Steel Wagstaff (Pressbooks) led a session on open pedagogy that provided excellent examples of what open pedagogy looks like in practice.

1. **WG leads and reports (standing item)**
   * Engagement (all)
     + Nothing to report at this time.
   * PD (all)
     + Hope reported that she reached out to BCRLG to see if they would be interested in partnering on an Open Education Week event featuring a speaker from the University of California’s Elsevier negotiating team. Response has been slow and initial feedback suggests the topic might not be of interest to those from UBC (since UBC hosted Ginny Steel from U of C in September). As such, the PD group will continue to brainstorm other ideas for speakers.
   * Publishing (Lin, on behalf of Karen)
     + Lin reported that Karen is arranging a meeting for the end of November/early December. The Publishing group will have more to report thereafter.
2. **[CARL Open Education WG](http://www.carl-abrc.ca/advancing-research/scholarly-communication/open-education/) update (standing item; Erin, Caroline, Hope)**
   * Hope reported that the CARL Open Ed WG’s first webinar with Josie Grey from BCcampus was a great success. The next sessions will feature Rajiv (KPU) speaking about library support for OER and Amanda Wakaruk (University of Alberta) speaking about Canadian copyright. Erin has shared information about the webinars on the BCOEL listserv.
3. **Winter meetings (Lin)**
   * Lin asked whether we want to continue with a standing meeting date. The group agreed that this is a good approach and tentatively settled on the first Monday of each month at 1pm.
   * Lin asked whether the Steering Committee would like to tentatively schedule a ½ day meeting for the third week of February to follow-up on the CARL Open Educational Leadership Essentials session in Toronto. This is the same week as Fair Dealing Week (Feb 24-28) but those involved in BCOEL and the local copyright community did not feel like two events in the same week would be onerous. Lin will share more information about dates/times/locations as it becomes available.
4. **Round table (time permitting)**
   * Debra asked who is planning to attend JIBC’s *Bridging Open Education and Faculty Development* event on November 7th. A number of BCOEL Steering Committee members (Hope, Erin, and Karen) are presenting. Mia Clarkson has a short-term contract to further open education initiatives at Langara and will also be in attendance.
   * Lin reported that BCIT secured an Open Education Institute Sustainability Grant from BCcampus in the amount of $32,250, which requires matching funds from the institution. Though great for BCIT, the matching aspect of the grant could be problematic for smaller institutions. BCIT plans to put the funds towards four initiatives:
     + Hiring a faculty Open Ed Champion. The successful candidate (yet to be selected) will have 240-hours to dedicate to advocacy.
     + Establishing an open publishing program based in the library.
     + Converting flash content from Tools for the Trades to a sustainable format. Rosario will be working on this project.
     + Continuity of the open education grant program. BCIT will offer at least five $5,000 grants in the coming fiscal.
   * Lindsay reported that Langara offered its first Open Ed Conference travel grant for teaching faculty. The grant recipient is new to open education and will be writing a post for the College newsletter and offering a workshop related to her conference experience through Langara’s Teaching and Curriculum Development Centre in the spring semester.
5. **Adjournment**   
   Lin adjourned the meeting at 1:56pm.