Canadian eLearning Network

http://CANeLearn.net
AGENDA

1. Introduction
2. Canadian eLearning Network Overview
3. Room Introductions
   – What brings you to this session?
   – What did you come to learn?
   – What advice would you have for us?
4. Ideas to pursue...
5. Linkages and Affiliations
6. Contact information (ours and yours)
7. Social
Canadian eLearning Network

• CANeLearn is a pan-Canadian network of K12 online and blended learning schools and organizations
• Focus is on sharing resources, PD, research
• Intent is to leverage collective to promote online and blended learning opportunities
• http://CANeLearn.net
Mission:

CANeLearn's mission is to provide leadership that champions student success in online and blended learning and provides members with networking, collaboration, and research opportunities.
CANeLearn is committed to *networking* through:

- **Building Relationships**: Enhancing communications with members
- **Communication**: Sharing resources and best practices
- **Sharing**
- **Innovation**: Encouraging innovation
CANeLearn is committed to research by:

- **Staying Current**: Staying current and participating in studies
- **Promoting Opportunities**: Promoting research opportunities
- **Disseminating Results**: Disseminating research results
CANeLearn is committed to *collaboration* by:

- **Partnerships**
  - Supporting Partnerships

- **Professional Learning**
  - Sharing Professional Learning Opportunities

- **Finding Efficiencies**
  - Finding efficiencies through technologies and shared services
CANeLearn is committed to championing by:

**Post-secondary Institutions**

Working with post-secondary institutions to connect pre-service and in-service teachers to online and blended learning

**Policy and Standards**

Informing policy and professional standards regionally, provincially and nationally

**Educating and Promoting**

Educating stakeholders and promoting online and blended learning to all
Founding Directors

- Michael Canuel, CEO of LEARN (President) - QC
- Vince Hill, CEO/Executive Director Credenda Virtual High School Inc. (Vice-president) - SK
- Terri Reid, Learning Service Coordinator Blackgold School Division No.18: Black Gold Online Program (Secretary) - AB
- Howard Burston, Director, IT Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre (Treasurer) - MB
- Michael Barbour, Director of Doctoral Studies Sacred Heart University (Director) - ON
- Greg Bitgood, Superintendent Heritage Christian Schools (Director) - BC
- Kevin Wttewaall, Director of Technology for Learning Rocky View School Division (Director) - AB
CAaNelLearn Timeline

**July 2012**
- **Summer Summit**: Participants from across Canada met in Toronto.

**2013**
- **BC & AB Meetings**: Finalized documents.

**July 2014**
- **Ontario Symposium**: Ontario networking event York U.

**2012**
- **OCT**
  - iNACOL Meeting: Participants met in New Orleans.

**2013**
- **JULY**
  - Summer Summit: Participants met in Montreal.

**2014**
- **SEP**
  - AGM: First AGM held online.
Initial Activities

• Create strategies to support pooling and sharing of resources
• Fostering PD specific to blended and online learning
• Working to support pre-service tech certificate course/program
• Consolidating and fostering research in blended/online (State of the Nation report, others)
• Finding new ways to measure learning success

Initial Launch

• Fall Summit October 29, 2013 as part of an iNACOL presentation
• BC April conference partnership
• July 2014 summit in Ontario
• First AGM Sep 2014
• Inaugural organizational memberships available
• Planning to create affiliations with iNACOL, CEA, CeLEA, CNIE, and other organizations
BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

1. Access to a network of organizations and educators fostering blended and online learning opportunities for K12 students in Canada and abroad through a password protected site.

2. Connections to emerging research in blended and online learning in Canada and internationally through CANeLearn affiliate memberships and online resource library.

3. Access to a consolidated list of professional learning opportunities related to blended and online learning.

4. Reduced member registration at CANeLearn sponsored events.

5. Opportunity to present to the CANeLearn board of directors on topics that can be disseminated across the country to leading elearning providers.

6. Invitation to participate in special projects.
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