

# 2016-17 Strategic Initiatives and Activities

Draft for consideration at 8/2016 Executive Committee Meeting

At their July 18 meeting, the WISPALS Executive Committee undertook a process to identify strategic initiatives for the coming year. Below is a list of the initiatives that were identified, along with activities and timelines for each:

<p><b>Streamline the information sharing environment among WISPALS members. {Andi}</b></p> <p><i>Many of the identified initiatives for this year are related to the sharing of information. The group discussed the current information sharing environment and determined that it would be more useful if all information sharing could take place in a single environment or as few environments as possible.</i></p>	
Inventory current information sharing environment: what information is being shared through what channels?	August – September
Determine needs for a new information sharing environment.	October
Research potential environments and costs and present to Executive Committee for decision.	Present at November meeting.
<p><b>Develop a repository of information literacy resources and curriculum. {Andi}</b></p> <p><i>This initiative will be used as a pilot for the newly created information sharing environment as described above.</i></p>	
Create infrastructure within the chosen environment for information literacy information exchange.	December
Work with 2-3 WISPALS members to pilot use of the environment and to develop procedures and processes to encourage participation.	January
Solicit information literacy resources from all WISPALS members.	February
Evaluate pilot environment to determine next steps.	March
<p><b>Create a catalog of good examples of create list reports</b></p> <p><i>Because this initiative is dependent on the above initiatives, the work will begin after those two initiatives have been completed.</i></p>	
Create infrastructure within the chosen environment for catalog.	April
Solicit good examples of create list reports from all WISPALS members.	April
Determine schedule for refreshing/updating the catalog.	April
<p><b>Develop and implement a plan to create ILS training videos and to add more visuals to documentation. {Melody}</b></p> <p><i>The ultimate outcome of this initiative, additional videos and more visual documentation, will be dependent on the first two initiatives because the products will be stored within the new environment. However, some background work can be done concurrently with the first two initiatives.</i></p>	
Determine high priority areas for training videos and additional visual documentation.	November
Develop plan for creating materials based on identified priorities.	December
Implement plan and create new materials.	January

<b>Develop more opportunities for in-person best practice sharing/annual forums for specific roles related to the ILS {Melody}</b>	
Create overall plan (what roles, frequency of meeting, responsibilities for convening groups, etc.) for Executive Committee discussion and review.	August – September
Based on the overall plan and the discussion of the Executive Committee, determine implementation strategy: how might we pilot and evaluate this plan?	October
Begin to implement pilot plan.	November
<b>Continue work on outstanding ILS issues and implementation {Melody}</b>	
<i>The group identified some outstanding ILS issues that merited additional efforts in the coming year:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Remove the ability to see other college's patron information.</i></li> <li>• <i>Implement the knowledgebase.</i></li> </ul>	
Advocate to III about the necessity of removing the ability to see other college's patron information and share results with Executive Committee.	Ongoing. Report to Executive Committee at least quarterly.
Develop a plan for implementing the knowledgebase.	
Implement plan for implementing the knowledgebase.	