

The Council of Connecticut Academic Library Directors  
2017- 2018 Annual Report

**The Organization**

Membership in this organization is open to directors (or their designee) of all Connecticut academic libraries regardless of the governance, source of funding, or constituency of the higher education institution.

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**CCALD 2017-2018 Meetings**

**October 6, 2017** - Quinebaug Valley Community College (Topic: **NEASC**. Guest: Barbara Brittingham, President of the CIHE)

**November 3, 2017** - Mitchell College (Topic: **Library Impact Dashboard at Fairfield University**. Guests: Jackie Kremen and Robert Hoyt, Fairfield University)

**February 2, 2018** - Albertus Magnus College (Topic: [Weeding](#). Speakers: Kyle Lynes, University of Hartford, Kristina Edwards, CCSU)

**March 2, 2018** - Goodwin College - (Topic: **Teaching librarians**, Guest: Jean McGivney-Burelle, Executive Director of the Center for Teaching Excellence and Innovation, University of Hartford) [Presentation slides](#)

**April 6, 2018** - Manchester Community College (Topic: **System Migrations and Opportunities for Collaboration**. Speakers: Veronica Kenausis, Director of Library Services at WCSU and CSCU Program Manager for Library Consortium Operations, Janice Christopher, Systems Librarian at UConn, and Lori Stethers, Systems and Emerging Technologies Librarian at Wesleyan University)

**June 1, 2018** - Sacred Heart University - Annual Business meeting & Consortium Day (vendors with cooperative programs including WALDO, CLC, and MEHC (Massachusetts Higher Education Consortium))

**Other Events:**

Library Protection Workshop (sponsored in part by CCALD) - Friday, June 8, at Manchester Community College. Special \$75.00 rate available to staff of CCALD member libraries with coupon code. Contact Paula Pini (ppini@manchestercc.edu) for more information.

**CCALD INITIATIVES**

**CCALD Database Committee:** With the budget issues at the State level and in the State Library, the possibilities of losing ResearchIt (State funded databases) becomes a serious issue for all Connecticut academic libraries. CCALD created a committee to help the State Library: 1.) make ResearchIt sustainable, 2.) become creative in the use of State funds, 3.) discuss and plan for possible scenarios involving loss of access, and 4.) discuss the role of CLC in the procurement process. CCALD will be requesting a report from the committee at the October 2018 meeting.

**Library Protection Workshop** sponsorship was so well received, it has been suggested that the Connecticut Library Association Annual Conference hold a half-day workshop or have a pre-conference event.

Submitted by: Randi Ashton-Pritting, chair