MLS Member Forum on Resource Sharing

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Notes – eBooks and Academic Libraries Breakout Session

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eBook Considerations for Academic Libraries

* Look at content that gets outdated fast, e.g. health – considering subscriptions/leasing content
* Peak periods of use and copy availability – how will STLs and horizontal lending via Proquest EBL work to improve this
* Too many platforms to learn – moving to a single platform
* Usability barriers, e.g. authentication
* Ability to index for discovery systems
* Support for distance learning

MLS, General Thoughts

* When we think of MLS, I think of delivery and that’s it.
* What we want = more content
* Look at open educational resources (OER) – possible lead at UMass Amherst

Training, Support and Information Literacy

* Effective use and sharing of LibGuides
* Help us share best practices, expertise
* Build user groups for learning management systems
* Help us to sell to our faculty, students and adjunct faculty
* Embedded librarians – how to scale?
* Look at the Flip Program at Stonehill