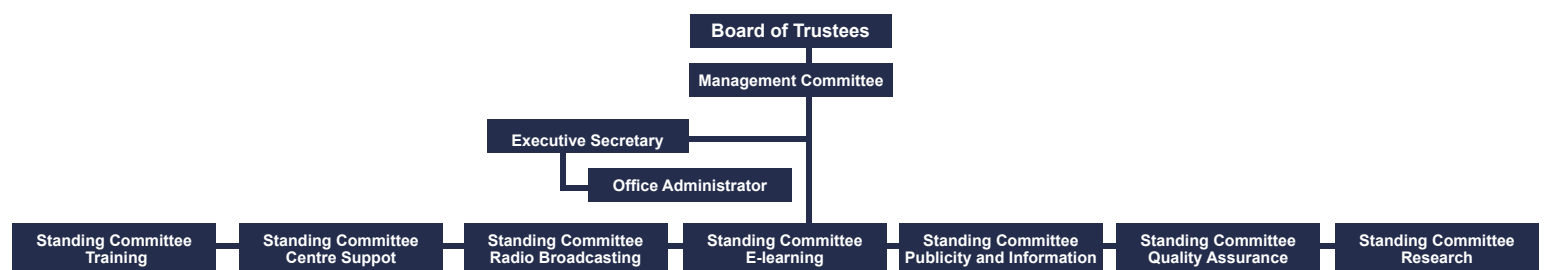


THE NAMIBIAN OPEN LEARNING NETWORK TRUST

In 2001, the Namibian Open Learning Network Trust (NOLNet) was established at the request of the Government of the Republic of Namibia to reach the Government's goal of Education for All (EFA). The objective of NOLNet is that partner institutions share their resources and expertise. NOLNet's aim is to enable partners to:

- Communicate with one another about their activities and plans in relation to Open and Distance Learning (ODL);
- Coordinate the development of new courses and facilities to avoid duplication;
- Collaborate in the provision of services for Namibian students;
- Collaborate in the training of full-time and part-time staff in the field of ODL.

NOLNet Structure



Standing Committees and their functions

NOLNet is comprised of seven (7) Standing Committees, and each one is composed of representatives from all partner institutions. Each Standing Committee's work is focused on one specific area or discipline as follows: publicity and information, e-Learning, training, centre support, education radio broadcasting, quality assurance. and research. The mandates of both the NOLNet's Management Committee and the Secretariat can only be effectively carried out through the endeavours of each Standing Committee.

Standing Committee on e-Learning

The function of the Standing Committee on eLearning is to advise Management on matters related to the use of Information Communication Technology (ICT) for education, training and development at the Ministry of Education and NOLNet partner institutions. It promotes and coordinates the e-Learning activities of NOLNet partners and introduces other e-Learning activities on behalf of the Education and Training Sector Improvement Programme (ETSIP) for the Ministry of Education.
Standing Committee on Education Radio Projects

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The function of the Standing Committee on Education Radio Projects is to advise Management on matters related to the production and broadcasting of educational radio programmes, as well as the production and distribution of content on CDs and DVDs.

Education Radio is a multi-sectoral initiative started by the Ministry of Education with funding from the Education and Training Sector Improvement Programme (ETSIP). It includes government ministries and NOLNet stakeholders that can benefit from radio broadcasting. Its function is to provide quality educational radio programmes to be available on air throughout Namibia. To date, Education Radio is broadcasted on NBC national radio, UNAM radio and Live FM in Rehoboth. The Education Radio Project envisages all radio stations across the country to be recipients and disseminators (by air) of the content it produces in order to reach a wide range of beneficiaries.

Standing Committee on Quality Assurance

The function of the Standing Committee on Quality Assurance is to advise the Management on matters related to promoting quality assurance for Open and Distance Learning (ODL) activities at all levels.

Standing Committee on Centre Support

The general function of the Centre Support Standing Committee is to advise Management on matters of the realisation of adequately resourcing NOLNet partner centres as well as to ensure the provision of quality support services to Open and Distance Learning (ODL) students making use of the 52 NOLNet-affiliated centres nationwide.
Standing Committee on Training

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The function of the Standing Committee on Training is to advise Management on matters related to the development of well-trained and motivated tutors, writers and institutional staff thus assuring that the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) students in the NOLNet partner institutions are fully supported in their educational needs.

Standing Committee on Publicity and Information

The function of the Standing Committee on Publicity and Information is to advise Management on matters aimed at strengthening advocacy for Open and Distance Learning (ODL) activities at all levels.

Standing Committee on Research

The function of the Standing Committee on Research is to advise Management on matters related to the research, capacity building and promotion of collaborative research among NOLNet partner institutions and the Ministry of Education.

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