



## **IFLA Division 3: Libraries Serving the General Public**

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### **Meeting I**

Buenos Aires 21 August 2004. Time: 15.00 – 18.00

### **Minutes**

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Chair: Torny Kjekstad  
Attendees: Torny Kjekstad ( Chair Public), Jane Dreisig (Chair MCULTP), Ingrid Bon (Secretary Children), Ian Stringer (acting Chair Mobil), Helen Brazier (Secretary Blind), John Lake (Secretary Public), Joanne Locke (secretary LSDP), Kirsten Leth Nielsen (Secretary MCULTP), Anne Clyde ( Chair School), Ivanka Stricevic (Chair Children), Aline Girard-Billon (Secretary Metropolitan), Stewart Brewer, Information co-ordinator Metropolitan, Eduard Duijker (Secretary Library Centres), Joyce Jelks (Mobil), Beatrice Christensen Sköld (Chair Blind)

Apologies: James Henri (Secretary School), Vibeke Lehmann (Chair Disadvantaged)  
No response: Stanly K. Ng'ang'a (Mobil), Mogens Brabrand Jensen (Chair Library Centres),  
Reporter: Kirsten Leth Nielsen  
Date: 15.11.2004

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### **1. Greetings and apologies**

Torny Kjekstad opened the meeting and all attendees introduced themselves since there were two newcomers from Metropolitan Library Section in the group. The agenda was approved. Item 4, 10-14 will be on the agenda next Saturday.

### **2. Minutes and Matters arising from the Mid-Year meeting in Amsterdam March 2004**

The minutes were approved with the following corrections: The correct number of members in Mobil is 14, not 40. Under item 7. The correct word is attractive, not delicate. Item 10. The correct name of the Satellite Meeting in Stockholm is The Multicultural Library. Staff Competence for success. Kirsten will correct the minutes and send the document to Ifla Headquarters for publishing on IFLANET.

Metropolitan Section inform us that the new acronym of the Section will be METLIB to avoid confusion between Metropolitan Section and Mobil Section. Torny again urged all of the members to join the Telecentre workshop. Torny stated that all new forms will be found on Offices Corner on IFLANET and not in the handbook. Torny informed us that all acting officers can continue to next years elections. Beatrice Christensen Sköld is appointed as acting chair for Blind Section.

### **3. Report from Governing Board and Professional Committee Meetings**

Torny urged all of us to join as many sessions as possible for two reasons. It is important to marketing our own sections by showing up and talk about the work we do in the sections. It is also important to feel the pulse of the Conference as a whole and report our impressions to Torny. She will report to PC.

We were also urged to join the Newcomers sessions and mingle with the audience.

We were all asked to report in a few sentences to Torny which of the papers in the sections programme were the best and the ones we want to highlight.

We were reminded that the best Newsletter and the best Poster session will be awarded at the closing session.

The Division appointed two persons to join the President elect brainstorming session: Partnership theme. Ian Stringer and John Lake will participate.

Torny underlined that The Officers Handbook will not be published in a print version. The electronic version is on the IFLANET and will only be printed on demand from officers not able to print it out themselves.

The financial situation of Ifla is a challenge since 80% of the income comes from membership fees. The big question is how we can secure a steady funding - everyone must think and report good ideas!

### **4. Section evaluations**

No one volunteered but when pressed Library Services to Multicultural Populations section agreed to discuss the issue at their first committee meeting and report back next Saturday. The item will be on the agenda at the meeting 28 August.

### **5. Conference programme in B.A.**

We we all asked to report back to Torny one paper from our session recommended for publishing in IFLA journal. She also handed out a paper containing practical information and matters with regards to the conference. All Sections were giving two raffle books. The income from the raffle will be used to pay the travel expenses of delegates from the third world. The drawing will take

place on the Opening Party. The schedule for manning the IFLA booth were distributed.

The programmes: The most important issue for this orientation is the frequency of papers translated to English or Spanish

#### Division III

Presently none of the papers are in English, but the session will have SI so this will probably cause no problems.

#### Children Section

The section have the Spanish version of the guidelines which is the theme on the one hour programme of the Section. The 4 hour session addressing the theme school libraries have many papers translated to English and Spanish.

#### IALC

There will be no open meeting in the section.

#### Mobile

Some of the papers have been translated, but not all. The Section will have a mobile meeting in the area of the Conference Centre but we still do not know the location.

#### Disadvantaged and Blind Section

The two Sections will have a joint programme on copyright. Some of the papers have been translated.

#### Metropolitan

The programme has four speakers with English papers, no translations to Spanish. It was stated the the Section will continue its work in INTAMEL. INTAMEL is arranging a conference in Singapore in September.

#### Multicultural

The Section will have a full day session joint with Latin American Division. Most of the papers are in Spanish, but some are in English. It is of great concern that the session will lack simultaneous translations.

#### Public Libraries

The Section has four programmes including the Bill Gates Awards. Two of the programmes are joint with other Sections (Statistics and Marketing and Management). Most of the papers from the Sections own programme have been translated.

### **6. Chair's report**

The report was oral and short. Torny stated that all acting officers will continue until next election of officers in 2005. She also informed us that the spring period had been less stressfull due to fewer documents and issues discussed in the Ifla forums she attends.

### **7. Election of Secretary 2004-2005**

Kirsten Leth Nielsen agreed to continue as secretary for one more year.

### **8. Financial report**

Torny stated that the division has no administrative money to spend this year due to the fact that we missed to apply for it. She urged all Sections not to forget the fact that administrative money has to be applied for in due time. She also stated that the transmission of money within the Ifla system is very expensive. Are there other ways of doing this she asked.

## **9. Section Updates - Strategic Plans and Projects**

Torny reminded us that all strategic plans need revision due to new actions and new project plans.

## **10. New Project Proposals**

IFLA Headquarters has introduced new procedures for applying for project funding. The new procedure is as follows: We no longer distinguish between small and large projects. All applications for funds shall be submitted on a Proposal for New Project form (Worksheet C.). All proposals for funding will be granted by PC. The proposals will be submitted to CB. All proposals will be discussed in CB and it is up to CB to make a final priority before submitting the proposals to PC. No sections can have more than two projects running at the same time. CB have received eight proposals for funding:

### **Public Libraries**

Project: 1. Public Libraries, Museums and Archives: trends in Collaboration and Co-operation. This project was categorized a large project in 2003. GB/PC recommended it for one year with the comment that the Section should apply for funding in 2004 if necessary. Request: EURO 2 200 totally for two years. 2. Ethical dilemma database; examples of ethical dilemmas in practical library work. Duration: 1 year

### **Children:**

Project: 1. Editing and publishing the Pre-conference Proceedings from Stavanger Satellite meeting in 2005. Duration: 2 years. 2. The celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section. Presentation in Oslo and publishing a special anniversary leaflet in the five IFLA languages.

### **School:**

Project: Information policy in schools: An comparative study. Request: EUR 15 200

### **Disadvantaged:**

LSDP History 2001-2005 with Relevant Agencies. Duration: 1 Year. Request: EUR 1 200

### **Mobile:**

Project: Website Development for the Mobile Libraries Pre-Conference in Oslo. Duration: 1 year. Request: EURO 1 360

### **Multicultural:**

Swap and Shop session and celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Section. Duration: 1 year. Request: EURO: 1 300

A copy of all the submitted proposals were distributed to the sections for discussion in section meetings. The priorities will be decided on the CB meeting next Saturday 28 August.

## **12. Conference in Seoul 2006**

The title of the Conference is: Libraries: Dynamic Engines for the Knowledge and Information Society.

## **13. Mid-Year meeting in London 2005**

The time of the meeting will be in March as usually and the location will be London. The date of the meeting will be announced later. An important item on the agenda will be procedures of electing officers as chairs and secretaries to the Coordinating Boards.

## Meeting II

Buenos Aires 28 August 2004. Time: 17.45 – 18.45

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### 1. Greetings and apologies

Torny Kjekstad opened the meeting and stated that we all have to be disciplined and to the point when discussing the issues on the agenda since we have only one hour for the meeting.

### 4. Section evaluation

The Library Services to Multicultural Populations Section agreed to volunteer for the section evaluation initiated by IFLA Headquarters. The Section will send the evaluation report to Headquarters in due time and a copy of the report to Torny.

### 11. Programmes IFLA Conference in Oslo 2005

The programme of the Division in Oslo will address the theme “Partnership”. We already have one lecturer. Liv Saeteren, Oslo Public Library. Several other candidates were suggested. We decided to ask the Bill Gates Foundation to give a speech on the theme partnership with libraries. A

representative from the Hamilton Public Library in Canada was proposed as well as the Director of Libraries, Museums and Archives in Canada. Queensland Public Library in Australia was also mentioned. Torny will investigate the options and report to the committee when the programme is ready.

### **10. New Project Proposals**

We decided to ask for small projects only and we did not discuss the amount of the sums requested. The priorities of the projects are as follows:

1. Public Libraries, Museums and Archives: trends in Collaboration and Co-operation. Reasons: This project was categorized a large project in 2003. GB/PC recommended it for one year with the comment that the Section should apply for funding in 2004 if necessary. Request: EURO 2 200 in total for two years.
2. Multicultural: Swap and Shop session and celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Section. Duration: 1 year. Request: EURO: 1 300. Reasons: The Section has no other ongoing project. The Section wants to try a new concept on Ifla sessions and the project is relevant only next year since the anniversary is a part of the project.
3. LSDP History 2001-2005 with Relevant Agencies. Duration: 1 Year. Request: EUR 1 200. Reasons: The project is well founded and the proposal seems realistic.
4. The celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section. Presentation in Oslo and publishing a special anniversary leaflet in the five Ifla languages. Reasons: The project is well founded and the proposal seems realistic.
5. Ethical dilemma database; examples of ethical dilemmas in practical library work. Duration: 1 year. Reasons: The project is well founded and the proposal seems realistic.

The rest of the proposals were rejected for different reasons.

1. Mobil: Website Development for the Mobile Libraries Pre-Conference in Oslo. Duration: 1 year. Request: EURO 1 360. Reasons: IFLA does not permit Sections to produce their own homepages outside IFLANET.
2. Children: Editing and publishing the Pre-conference Proceedings from Stavanger Satellite meeting in 2005. Duration: 2 years. Reasons: This is a matter the Section should handle without support from project funding and a part of the tasks of having a Satellite meeting.
3. School: Information policy in schools: An comparative study. Request: EUR 15 200. Reasons: Although this application has been revised after it was rejected last year, it was rejected for the same reasons this time. The Division will go for smaller projects which support every day life of libraries in Division III and have a practical orientation since the funding from Ifla is so small and limited.

### **14 Any other Business**

New abbreviations in the Division: Mobil Section: MobLS. Metropolitan Section: MetLS.

Recommended papers of the Conference to IFLA Journal:

School - Session 143: Constanza Mekis et al.: School libraries and storytelling

Joint Blind and Disadvantaged - Session 129/134: Johan Roos: Copyright protection as access barrier for people who read differently; the case for an international approach.

Mobile – Session 115: Rui Manuel Neves: Libraries on wheels; mobile libraries in Portugal.

Children – session 144: Gustavo Roldan: La aventura de leer

Multicultural – session 112: Cesar Augusto Castro Aliaga: Intercultural bilingual education; A process that assists in the development of indigenous libraries in Latin America

Public – session 112: Jens Thorhauge: New demands – old skills; a strategy for bridging the competence gap, building competence in a daily working context.

Highlights of the Conference:

- The cultural evening – fantastic – filled with energy
- Visits to Popular libraries (tour 34) was very interesting and well organized
- Croatia winning the Poster Session
- 350 persons present at the presentation of the Children and Young Adults Guidelines
- Joint Blind and Disadvantaged section – good session on copyright matters
- Multicultural – a whole day: Library service for multicultural population in the Latin America and the Caribbean – wonderful day with many good presentations

The chair closed the meeting – we run out of time, one hour for the CB II is too little time.

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 **IFLA Division III.: Libraries Serving the General Public:** <http://www.ifla.org/VII/d3/dlsgp.htm>

