



## IFLA Division VII. Education and Research

### Minutes of meeting Coordinating Board (CB) Meetings Buenos Aires, 2004

#### I) **Saturday 21 August 15.00 – 18.00 Room M. Fierro B in Sheraton RetiroHotel**

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##### Participating:

Library Theory & Research (LTR)	Marian Koren (secty);
Information Literacy (INFOLIT)	Jesus Lau (chair), Christina Tovoté (secty)
Education & Training (ET)	Terry Weech (chair); Niels Ole Pors (secty)
Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning (CPDWL)	Ann Ritchie (chair)
Reading	Gwynneth Evans (secty); Alec Williams (secty)
Library and Information Science Journals (LISJ)	Peter Lor (interim chair since February 2004)
Library History (LH)	An Observer from LH ??

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1. **Call to order:** The Chair Terry Weech called the meeting to order at 15.00 hrs and noted that all seven member groups of CB VII were represented.
2. **Absent** with apologies: Kerry Smith (Chair LTR Section)
3. **Agenda:** Secretary Marian Koren presented a Draft Agenda which was adopted.
4. **Minutes** of the last meetings: The minutes of the meetings of the CB held at the IFLA Conference in Berlin on 1 and 8 August 2003 were adopted.
5. **Division VII matters**
  - Reports from Division Officers, if any
    - Chair (Terry L. Weech): thanked those sections who responded to the call for the sharing of standing committee agenda's and newsletters among the sections of Division VII.
    - Secretary/Treasurer (Marian Koren):
    - Information Coordinator (Jésus Lau): most communication was done by chair and secretary. A special listserv was not considered necessary.

## 6. The Buenos Aires congress

- Information from the Professional Committee and Governing Board Meetings (Marian Koren)
  - Section officers and Division Representatives are requested to join the president-elect programme, *Partnerships* on Thursday 8.30-12.45 hrs; and to volunteer to serve as facilitators and recorders? Volunteered: Gwynneth Evans, Ann Ritchie, Christine Tovote, Peter Lor and probably Hermina Angelescu.
  - The PC and GB had discussed priorities for the federation, focussing on evaluation of sections programmes, working for advocacy in partnerships, and laying the foundation for a long term financial plan. Development of membership was considered a major priority. Sections would be encouraged to attract new members from outside and cooperate with other sections and IFLA-Units.
  - The PC had decided that also CB -projects would have to be approved by the PC. Adopted projects would be considered to start from 1<sup>st</sup> of January.
  - Sections were reminded to send at least 8 papercopies of their newsletters to IFLA HQ.
  - Current numbers for section memberships, especially from former Round Tables were distributed:

Section	members as of:	1/7	1/3
Information Literacy		37	37
Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning		27	25
Library History		15	15
Library and Information Science Journals		19	17

- CB members would look for practical ideas and examples of membership recruitment and hand them to Marian Koren, also chair of the GB Committee of Membership Development.
- The new Officers Handbook was on IFLAnet. This would be regularly updated. Printed versions would only be provided by HQ upon request. CB-members were referred to the schedule for (new) section officers: training session on financial, administrative and communication matters. The Chair drew attention to the information offers meeting. This might be a good opportunity to put forward suggestions for improving 'navigate ability' of the IFLA website. This will be put forward.
- Divisional programmes:** The Division has done increasingly cooperative work:
  - Monday 23 August, 13.45-15.45 hrs**
    - Breaking Barriers to literacy: contributions from the Education and Research Division, showing sections can contribute with different approaches to the same subject. Ann Ritchie will chair.
  - Wednesday 25 August, 9.00-10.30 hrs at the INIBI Research Institute;**
    - There will be round trip bus transport, leaving 8.15 from the Hilton Hotel. Participants should sign in for the offsite programme. (Marian Koren coordinator, with Alejandro Parada (INIBI).
- Resolutions**
  - General resolutions to be dealt with at Council II should be handed in at the secretariat before Thursday 12.00 hours.

## 7. Update from the Sections

- Section officers were encouraged to bring *an agenda of their meetings* and *a short overview*, on paper or in digital form and to share issues upcoming in their sections in the CB.

Section nr. 23: Education and Training  
Section nr. 24: Library Theory and Research  
Section nr. 33: Reading  
Section nr. 42: Information Literacy  
Section nr. 43: Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning  
Section nr. 44: Library History  
Section nr. 45: Library and Information Science Journals

All section representatives shared their programmes and activities in Buenos Aires, including their efforts to attract Spanish speaking speakers and audiences through translation of brochures and lectures.

Section representatives would send a short note to the CB-secretariat in case they wish to include special mention of any item under this heading. All other information would be found on IFLA net or was shared in advance.

## 8. Update on Strategic Plans 2004-2005

All Strategic Plans are on IFLAnet: Sections should only update them – where necessary - after the Buenos Aires Congress. In Oslo 2005 new strategic plans should be made. Some points of reference for this item are:

- discuss and include response to the presidential of Life Long Literacy:  
<http://www.ifla.org/III/gb/prtheme03-05.htm>: What can we/our Section do to support this priority?
- action on the recommendations of the Social Responsibilities Group; report in 2004; include action on inclusiveness, developing countries;
- cooperation with other IFLA-units and other issues, suggested in *Digital Divide* and *Green Light*.
- new guidelines for congress planning: <http://www.ifla.org/V/pr/confplan-guide.htm>
- bear in mind: evaluation of section work in 2007 (one of the criteria: relation to Professional Priorities and Presidential Themes)
  - What other activities does the section do, apart from contributing to the World Congress
  - Can the section organise regional conferences?

The CB discussed the request of the Professional Committee to have one section from Division VII volunteering as pilot section for testing the evaluation scheme, designed by the IFLA Board. All sections would take up this matter in their SC-meetings; but recently transformed Round Tables were less likely to be a good pilot case. At the second CB-meeting a decision would be taken.

### Closure

The Chair adjourned the rest of the agenda to the second CB-meeting, pointing at the circumstance that this was only scheduled for 1 hour.

## II) **SECOND CB-MEETING Saturday 28 August 18-00 – 19.00 Room Atalaya in Sheraton Retiro Hotel**

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### 9. Evaluation of Divisional Activities

The second meeting started with an evaluation of the programmes. The Divisional session was well attended by up to 150 persons. The contributions were high level, and the audience was eager to start discussions.

About 60-70 persons participated in the study exchange and visit to the INIBI-institute, where they were cordially welcome. All three introductions and lectures had been translated into English and were presented in a booklet. The dean of the faculty had supported the transport of participants and the publication. Good participation from various sections and Latin Americans researchers.

CB-member were encouraged to suggest and select papers from the sessions for publication in IFLA Journal. (Suggestions to Secretary before 1<sup>st</sup> October)

## 10. Professional resolutions

A Professional resolution was proposed by the Information Literacy Section:

“The Information Literacy Section has welcomed UNESCO’s intentions to promote the development of information literacy for the disabled. As a step towards that goal the section recommends that IFLA encourages the use of guidelines on typography and lay out that would make documents and presentations more accessible to the partially sighted.”

Not all CB-members were convinced of the necessity of the resolution; nevertheless it was carried with 6 votes and 1 abstention.

The resolution will be brought to the attention of the PC.

## 11. Financial Reports

- Division (Marian Koren)

A financial update had been; until now no expenses had been done. About 325 euro was available.

The CB adopted a proposal from the Secretary to use the budget for making a Divisional brochure, similar to Division IV.

## 12. Projects

- Proposals for New Projects

Three projects were presented briefly (new forms had not yet been available) All IFLA projects, even if they do not involve funding should be presented to CB and adopted, ranked and be adopted by the PC.

The following projects were proposed:

1. Library History Section: : A survey of the archival holdings and policies of the world library associations: 1 year project, 550 euro
2. CPDWL Section: An international survey of Continuing Professional Development programmes and training providers: 1 year, 1300 euro
3. Edu & Training Section: Explore the development of educational guidelines for digital librarianship: 1 year, 1350 euro

The secretary would try to get updated forms; sections would circulate their project proposals to CB-members in order to achieve approval and decision on ranking.

- Reports from ongoing Projects

SET had found a substitute to get the Directory work which was long awaited done. LTR would come with a publication on the project on Political Perceptions (Bob Usherwood); Ragnar Audunson explained the project of evaluating the impact of IFLA in standard setting, and looked for an international research group.

### 2. Future Congresses: Oslo, Seoul

- Oslo Satellite Meetings: a large number has been accepted by the Professional Committee for 2005. Some sections had been involved in joint satellites (LTR, SET).
- CB-members would like to continue the divisional cooperation in a programme and supported the proposal to work on this for Oslo as well.
- Seoul 2006: Dynamic Engines for the Knowledge and Information Society
  - Some sections had already clear views on how they would like to continue their working programmes in Seoul; Attention should also be paid to attract Asian IFLA members.

## 13. Other Business

A GB Committee (Action 8) was seeking comments from sections on their proposals for standards. Two persons from SET would reply.

The Library History Section noted that increasingly sections worked on their history. LH could offer some help and advice. (E.g. the CHILD-section celebrates next year its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary).

## 14. Closing of Meeting

The Chair thanked all CB-members for their input and cooperation and wished all a safe journey home.

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 **VII. Division of Education and Research:** <http://www.ifla.org/VII/d7/der.htm>

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