



Library History Section

**Minutes of the Standing Committee Meeting,
19 August 2006**

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1. Present: Alistair Black (UK), Chair; Don Davis (USA); Jae Soon Jo (South Korea); Lis Byberg (Norway). Apologies received from Ilkka Mäkinen (Finland). Four observers attended the meeting in addition.
2. The minutes of the Committee's meeting in Oslo were distributed and confirmed as correct.
3. Open session – The call for papers for the Section's open session in Seoul was reported to be a success. Four papers were chosen from a batch of around eight proposals.
4. *A World History of Librarianship* – The editing of this publication is still being pursued. Wayne Weigand reported, via Alistair Black, that only 2 chapters had been completed: his and one by Priscilla Yu, who was to present a shorter version of her paper at the Section's open session in Seoul.
5. Archives project – Alistair Black reported that the research on this issue was now complete and a short report would be made in 2007.
6. *A History of Libraries and Librarianship for Children* – The Committee heard and welcomed a proposal for an illustrated book for children on the history of libraries and librarianship. The 'Children's and Young Adult' Section had given the idea provisional support. Alistair Black was to make an application for funding (c. 3000 Euros) to IFLA's Professional Committee.
7. Worldwide Directory of Library and Information History Groups – The Committee noted the value of compiling such a directory and would look to someone to pursue the project.
8. Section status – Much of the meeting was taken up in discussing the future of the Section.

A second meeting was held on 26 August 2006, but was attended by only Alistair Black, Chair and Lis Byberg, with one observer present.

It was decided that, given the success of the open session, efforts be made to publish the papers in a special issue of the journal *Library History*, on 'Libraries and Librarianship in S.E. Asia'.

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