

## Mid-Winter meeting in Moscow

### IFLA Acquisition and Collection Development Section

#### MINUTES

Standing Committee meeting held at the Russian State Library in Moscow on Thursday, March 4, 2010 (10.00-12.45)

#### 1. Attendance and general introductions

##### Standing Committee members attending were:

Sharon Johnson, Glenda Lammers, Natalia Litvinova, Susanne Maier, Judy Mansfield, Johannes Rudberg, Nadia Zilper.

##### Standing Committee members not attending were:

Joanna Ball, Corrado Di Tillio, Kazuko Fukubayashi (corresponding member), Julia Gelfand, Joseph Hafner, Judy Jeng, Klaus Kempf, Helen Ladron de Guevara Cox (corresponding member), Dudu Nkosi (corresponding member), Pascal Sanz, Regine Schmolling, Tan Sun, Absalom Umarov, Sha Li Zhang.

The Chair expressed her sincere thanks to Natalia Litvinova and Irina Gayshun for all their efforts in preparing the meeting and the previous day's workshop.

#### 2. Adoption of the Agenda

The proposed agenda was approved with the addition of three questions: a brief evaluation of yesterday's workshop, the issue of committee meeting times in Gothenburg and the issue of the questionnaire about the general conferences.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Standing Committee, held in Milan, 22 and 26 August 2009.

The Minutes of the Milan meetings were approved with one correction: Susanne Maier and Regine Schmolling are implementing a German translation of the Gift Guidelines (p. 8.1).

#### 4. Announcements

The Chair announced that the Committee's first meeting during the General Conference in Gothenburg is scheduled for August 10 at 8.30-11.20. A second meeting might be held sometime during the conference.

#### 5. Gothenburg Programme – 2010

On behalf of Joseph Hafner, Judy Mansfield reported that the working group for the Gothenburg Programme had voted on the thirteen delivered proposals, and six of these had been chosen.

#### 6. San Juan Satellite Meeting – 2011

Since Regine Schmolling was not present, Susanne Maier reported on the state of planning. She handed out the three papers: Letter to sponsors, Application and Budget.

Glenda Lammers promised to check the language if Regine wanted that kind of help.

The Committee discussed a number of issues related to the planning of the conference.

Judy Mansfield asked if we seek papers exclusively from and about the Caribbean? Susanne Maier replied that we don't want to exclude other papers, but we would like to encourage colleagues from the region. Glenda Lammers said that if OCLC will sponsor, they can influence their contacts in Latin America to participate.

Judy Mansfield expressed the hope that all SC members should be able to attend. Judy Mansfield and Glenda Lammers said they were sure that they were going to attend; Sharon Johnson, Nadia Zilper and Johannes Rudberg said that they should try to do so.

Transports were discussed. Glenda Lammers promised to come back with some travel information.

At March 31st the application will have to be sent to the IFLA Governing Board.

Short discussion about the possibility of group rates for all-inclusive alternatives. Perhaps there will be empty resorts in August?

Regine Schmolling had asked if it would be OK to have commercial presentations (they would be paying for this opportunity). The answer was yes - if they are relevant.

What about deadline for papers? -Follow our schedule for Gothenburg.

What about an account number? – This should be established by the local contact person, when it is OK with the application.

Budget: Sharon Johnson asked if we are able to fund a deficit with money from the Committee? Judy Mansfield answered that we can use Committee money, but only of the money for 2011. Discussion about sponsors, and how much we could expect from them. Judy said that we need a revised budget calculation. Nadia Zilper promised that she should approach the Institute of the Americas. Glenda Lammers promised to overlook the letter to the sponsors, and Sharon Johnson offered to create a spreadsheet for the budget. Glenda Lammers promised to check informally with the OCLC.

Judy summarized that we will ask the subgroup to investigate

- the possibility to increase Reception money
- the possibility to include lunch in the registration fee
- the possibility to include breakfast in the hotel price
- the possibility to get at least \$1000 from each sponsor
- the equipment requirements
- the need for simultaneous interpretation
- the question of conference bags and tablets

Judy Mansfield expressed a big thank to Regine from the Committee for all her work on this matter.

## **7. Plans for Section Newsletter**

The Chair started a discussion about the Committee's newsletter. Initially, she asked if there is any value in having a newsletter at all. The attending Committee members felt that the newsletter do continues to perform its function.

However, currently a lot of information is published twice, both on the website and in the newsletter. This matter of fact had been discussed by Judy Mansfield and Corrado Di Tillio, and as a result of their discussion a proposal was presented about the distribution of what works best at the website and what works best in the newsletter. A general comment in the discussions of the Committee was that it can sometimes be enough to link from the newsletter to the website, such as when a new strategic plan has been published.

Appropriate content in the newsletter was discussed, and the following was mentioned: short articles about what are going on in different countries; reports from meetings and conferences (could also be from other than SC members); sharing of valuable websites; information about upcoming conferences. For book reviews, it was found that it was difficult to get hold of willing reviewers.

Nadia Zilper asked, if we know how many hits we have at our website. Judy Mansfield promised to check it out.

Sharon Johnson raised the question, if it would be a good idea for the SC to consider a blog. Judy Mansfield replied that some other sections have Facebook groups.

#### **8. Gift Guidelines Translations – status reports**

Judy Mansfield reported that it wasn't possible to have a translation into Arabic fulfilled at the Library of Congress. Susanne Maier should take the question to the Arabic Department at her library. A translation into Chinese was done from the draft, but this needs to be updated. The Spanish translation has been submitted to IFLA HQ for posting on the ACQUIS web site.

#### **9. Electronic Resources Guidelines**

Nothing new on this matter.

#### **10. Adopt a Student!**

This is a way of sponsoring a Library and Information Science Student, perhaps one from every continent, but how to deal with the question of choosing the students? Susanne Maier promised to ask Petra Hauke more about the model.

#### **11. Other Issues**

Judy Mansfield shared the result of the questionnaire answer delivered by the Committee about the general conferences.

Judy Mansfield mentioned that the Annual Report of the Committee is completed and posted on the IFLA web.

A brief evaluation of the SC's workshop the day before was fulfilled. All declared themselves very satisfied with the lectures, with the response from the audience, and with the conference room and

its facilities. The exchange with the Russian colleagues was very much appreciated, as well as the mix of Russian and foreign lecturers. All SC members expressed their admiration for the excellent simultaneous translation.

## **12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12.40.