



Minutes for the Standing Committee Meetings in Gothenburg

SC I: Tuesday, August 10. 8.30-11.20 (Session # 22) in room Congressen Hall

Standing Committee Members: Ruth Hedegaard, Gerald Long, Russell Lynch, Janice McFarlane, Elizabeth Melrose, Hsiao-ming Yu

Visitors: Francis Kirkwood, Michael Hall, Randy Olsen, Drew Smith, Ann Okerson, Inci Önal, Diómedes Núñez Polanco and Carmen Rosa Estrada Paulino.

We excused the following Standing Committee Members: Anne Burrows, Arun Chakraborty, Lijing Chen, Richard Huws, Susan Lugo, Wayne Metcalfe, Laverne Page, Paul Smart, Janet Tomkins, Gui Won Lee

1. Introductions (Ruth)

2. Chair's report (Ruth)

Ruth talked about our section membership. Fortunately we have over 40 members, however, the current amount is so low that it makes our section fragile.

Also, Ruth shared items from the Division Leadership Forum, concerns with moving the Congress from Brisbane to Gothenburg, concerns with satellite conferences being on a week-end, and reasons for cancelling the pre-conference even though it had some funding from foundations.

Items from Francis Kirkwood. Special Interest: Access to Information Network Africa.

Issue in Canada: collection of compulsory information in a census. GENLOC could propose a session in the Crimea Conference, held in June of every year. They are considering a local history or a family history section of the Crimea Conference. Francis did not attend the conference in 2010. He went to the Genoa Public Library last year. Sudak, Ukraine will celebrate its 1800th anniversary in 2012. (Sudak was founded in 212 A.D.) Can GENLOC support the Crimea Conference in 2012? The programme will likely focus on the history of the silk-road trade.

3. IFLA HQ and Division business (Ruth/Russell)

Ann Okerson visited briefly and discussed some items from the Professional Committee. She invited us to attend the President-Elect Planning Session (#109) on Friday morning. Also, she talked about the five tracks in the conference programme. They will be the same tracks for the Congress in 2011.

4. Financial report (Janice)

Janice submitted a written report. Some of our section expenses do not show up on any report. Janice knows that we paid money in January 2010 for the poster design in Milan. She assumes it is an expense for 2010.



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We will use some of our budget to promote our satellite meeting in the Virgin Islands.

5. Open Session status report (Russell)
Russell was very pleased with the number of papers that librarians submitted for proposals. We look forward to an excellent open session at this Congress.
6. Study Tour status report (Ruth)
Ulf Andersson has been a great local contact from the regional archives. We're not sure if we can visit the archives since it is under construction.
7. Strategic Plan 2010-2011
We will discuss our strategic plan in the second committee meeting on Saturday.
8. GENLOC web pages
We discussed Janet's excellent work as Information Coordinator. Janet has a new job assignment and may not continue serving on the committee. We need to get her an assistant.
9. GENLOC Newsletter
We discussed Elizabeth's excellent work as Newsletter Editor. Now is a good time to get an assistant editor. At some future date we will need to replace Elizabeth.
10. Section Activities for the Puerto Rico 2011 Congress
We will sponsor an open session at the Congress and a satellite meeting in the Virgin Islands. The final announcement describes the satellite meeting on page 17, #7.
11. Any other business and assignments
Ruth H. will attend the session for Information Coordinators (#153) on Sunday morning.
Russell L. will attend the IFLA Publications session (#130) on Saturday morning.
Russell L. will forward the e-mail message containing the IFLA Roles and Responsibilities for Division Chairs.
Russell L. will find a place for our Section to meet for dinner on Friday, August 13.
Gerry L. will look for a place to eat lunch on Friday.

SC II: Saturday, August 14. 11.30-13.00 in room G2

Attending: Ruth H, Elizabeth M, Janice M, Russell L, Wayne M, Gerry L, Hsiao-ming Y
Guests: Francis Kirkwood, Mike Hall, Randy Olsen

1. Discussions (continued from SC I Meeting on August 10)

Membership



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Wayne will contact Houston (the Clayton Public Library). The Allen County, Indiana Library said they cannot join. Mid-continent library said they cannot join. Remind libraries that they can claim “one person library” status. Wayne will contact the Library of Congress. Randy & Russell will contact the BYU Lee Library. Mike Hall will contact NEHGS (New England Historic Genealogical Society).

We can expect changes to our committee in 2011 and need to think about the Information Coordinator position.

We need a contact in New Zealand.

Russell will contact Ulrich Hagenah in Hamburg, Germany.

Virgin Islands: a theme for the satellite meeting

We should focus the presentations on “Indigenous Matters.” Mike Hall will send Ruth the contact information for Loriene Roy, who was President of ALA in 2007. Loriene could lecture on North American indigenous culture.

Open Session in San Juan, P.R.

We discussed many possibilities. We settled on “Dispossessed Persons: preserving culture in an age of migration.” Many groups lived in the Caribbean because of forced migration. Involuntary migration impacts the area’s culture.

Our session belongs in Track 1: Open access and digital resources.

Study-Tour in San Juan, P.R.

Ruth will talk to Susan Lugo about possible locations and people to contact.

Goals (review our strategic goals)

We briefly discussed the goals and assigned each to one or more committee members.

Goal #1 to Elizabeth M. Goal #2 to Gerry L. and Mike H. Goal #3 to Randy O. and Wayne M.

Goal #4 to Russell L. and Wayne M.

Each person should submit their revisions to Ruth by September 15, 2010.

Mid-Year Meeting

Gerry recommends a mid-year meeting in Dublin, Ireland. If nothing else, the committee members who reside in Europe and the U.K. could get together. He’ll investigate the possibilities of a “web conference” for the committee. He will let us know.

2. Plans for the Helsinki 2012 Congress. This discussion item was postponed.

Minutes prepared by Russell S. Lynch on October 12, 2010.