



PENDING APPROVAL

August 13th
Science and Technology Library Section
First Business Meeting
0915 – 1115

Present: Hermina Anghelescu, Deva Reddy, Annelie Janred, James Mullins, Marty Kesselman, Eva Tolonen, Tamara Krajna, Deborah Sibley, Janet Webster, Jim Andrews, Maxine Schmidt

Excused: Marcel Brannemann, Sriyani Ileperuma, Xiwen Liu, Ajay Pratapsingh, Josee Saint-Marseille, Christine Stotzenbach, Chritina Birdie, Daulat Jotwani, Anthi Katsirikou

Introduction:

Janet Webster called the first meeting of the STL Standing Committee to order and asked all to introduce themselves.

The minutes from 2010 committee meetings were approved as posted and the combined agenda for the 2011 meetings approved.

Treasurer's report:

Eva Tolonen, reported that our only expense in the last year were the expense of taking our conference speakers to dinner. This was reimbursed from IFLA so we still have 360 Euros in our STL account as well as 600 Euros available to us for projects and expenses through the end of 2011. Jim Mullins moved to pay for dinner for speakers again. Andrews seconded. Approved. The written treasurer's report was given to the Secretary.

Chair's Update:

The Chair reviewed the discussion at the Division Leadership meeting held earlier that morning. These included updates for the conference and housekeeping.

- We can print papers at the IFLA offices.
- All are encourage to attend the General Assembly meeting on Wednesday.
- STL paper session is Monday at 1600
 - Chair asked that each member consider which paper from our session might be considered for submission to the IFLA journal.
- There is a launch of new IFLA publications on Wednesday morning. One of those is the conference proceedings from the 2010 STL Satellite Workshop hosted by Anthi Katsirikou.
- Communication with members was discussed. This initial discussion focused on the need for print newsletter articulated by Deva Reddy. The Chair pointed out that IFLA was moving away from print towards more dynamic

means of reaching members. Further discussion was postponed until the second meeting.

- New President's theme is "a force for change..." and will focus on inclusion, transformation, innovation and convergence. The Section will want to consider this theme when thinking about conference sessions and projects.
- There is a President-Elect session Tuesday 0945 that will set the tone for the incoming President.
- The professional committee leadership is urging sections to be more visible. Also, that we need to figure out ways to assess activities.

Update from Agricultural Libraries SIG:

Deva Reddy continues to facilitate the Special Interest Group as he has from its inception. As such, he is exploring how to publish the 25 conference papers that have been presented since the formation of the SIG. It is challenging as many are already available online. This year's SIG session will be on Sunday afternoon. Three of the speakers have received full funding. The SIG also started a mailing list (AGRI-LIB) to communicate with members.

Review of Strategic Plan:

The Chair reviewed the STL Strategic Actions from 2010-2012 as were developed last year. We described three primary goals:

- Promote open access to scientific and technological information
- Support science and technology libraries globally so they can serve their users successfully.
- Encourage science and technology libraries to respond to the changing information environment

Under the first, we supported the Professional Resolution One presented at the 2010 General Congress and referred to the Professional Committee that encouraged IFLA to solidify its support for Open Access. IFLA adopted a broad open access policy this spring. The new publication from the 2010 Chania Satellite Conference documented that discussion on open access. We did not do anything with adding open access resources to the STL web site. Further discussion was held on the IFLA publication. There was concern about the cost of the book and how that conflicted with the concept of open access. The Chair agreed to follow up with discussion with Saur and IFLA on copyright policies. She also mentioned that there is a publication policy recommendation that is being discussed at the conference. Other discussion surrounding these issues by members indicated importance of this to the section.

On the second goal, we did not make much progress in developing more web site content. The Chair asked section members about areas of concern in the July newsletter. We also did not develop a white paper exploring the need to provide better access to engineering journals in developing countries. The Chair is meeting with the head of HINARI at the conference to discuss the idea.

On the third goal, we developed a conference session around change and Eva has planned a study tour for the 2012 conference that will focus on technology research at Aalto University.

We continued to discuss how to implement our strategic plan. We agreed that we need to focus our web site topics on our strategic aims and ensure the topics provided are in the special context of our section. This led to a broad discussion about possible projects. Marty Kesselman recommended identifying all the different organization names who provide resources, training and funding in science and technology librarianship. That would be useful for members so that can see the breadth of groups that influence or can be a resource for STL professionals. Jim Mullins suggested contacting foundations who currently fund libraries that ight switch their focus if presented with a case (e.g. Carnegie and its work in South Africa). We also considered oterh IFLA sections that might be useful partners. The Chair asked members to consider other topics to see if we are missing anything that would be something we could address specifically. Marty presented his work with Liberia that is working to provide access to a engineering resources modeled after TEEAL (the essential electronic agriculture library).

Deborah Sibley suggested that we need to consider all countries and not just developing ones as many of us are suffering with the current economy. Other members discussed funding ideas or other models to consider. Hermina Anghelescu and Tamara Krajna agreed to discuss a possible workshop for Eastern European science and technology librarians and bring a recommendation back to the committee at the next meeting.

Elections:

The election for new officers was held. Of the 21 eligible voters, 19 were present in person or proxy. Reddy Deva received 11 votes and Jim Mullins 8 with the result of Reddy being elected the chair for 2011-2013. Annelie Janred was elected secretary.

2012 Conference Session:

There was initial discussion about the conference session topic for 2012. Ideas included training tools and getting connected (how to build professional networks.) We agreed to continue the conversation at the next committee meeting.

Science and Technology Libraries Section Standing Committee Meeting
Second meeting
August 17, 2011
9:45-11:00

Jim Andrews, Janet Webster, Deva Reddy, Annelie Janred, Marty Kesselman, Eva Tolonen, Tamara Krajna, Deborah Sibley, Janet Webster, Jim Andrews, Maxine Schmidt, Hermina Anghelescu, Zhang Xiaolin (proxy), James Mullins

Follow-up to First Committee Meeting:

The outgoing Chair gave follow-up to question raised at the first committee meeting concerning the new IFLA publication. IFLA retains the copyright although it does not have agreements from the various authors. Consequently, any of the authors could deposit their contributions to an open access repository.

Introduction:

The incoming Chair, Deva Reddy, distributed a new agenda. He attended the information session for incoming officers. Eva Tolonen agreed to serve again as the Treasurer and Maxine Schmidt as Information Coordinator. The Chair will serve as newsletter coordinator even though that is being phased out.

We discussed further using Section funds to host our conference speakers. We agreed that in the future we could include the SIG speakers as well as the STL speakers.

Jim Mullins noted that we should discuss who we will go about nominating papers for the IFLA Journal. The incoming Chair said that he would send out a call for nominations when notified by IFLA Headquarters.

Introductions of standing committee members and meeting guests were then made.

Incoming Chair's Report:

The incoming Chair gave highlights of Division Leadership Meeting.

Maxine briefly discussed the Web editors' meeting.

The Committee discussed the STL open session. The room was too cold and open. Even so, there was a decent audience. Janet suggested a more focused theme for presentations would have resulted in a more coherent session. The individual papers were good, but the theme was a little loose. The incoming Chair suggested having a sign up sheet.

The incoming Chair discussed the SIG's open session. The Committee also discussed the relationship of the SIG to the Section and the requirements of the convener. Some committee members are concerned that the incoming Chair will not be able to address the duties of the Section if he remains the convener and major drive of the SIG. The incoming Chair assured the committee that this was not a problem.

The incoming Chair reported on the President-Elect's planning meeting.

Communication with STL Members:

The Committee discussed communication with members including the STL Newsletter. The incoming Chair firmly believes in the print newsletter as traditionally this has been the format IFLA required and rewarded. Janet discussed "IFLA communicator of the year" which has replaced the "IFLA newsletter of the year". IFLA Headquarters wants section to use new social media and other technologies rather than traditional methods. Marty suggested a blog. Overall, IFLA seems to be interested in how to engage members and not limit to a traditional "newsletter". Marty made a motion to abandon the newsletter and use only social media to be organized by information officer (Maxine). Debbie seconded and it was unanimously approved. In further discussion, we agreed that all standing committee members will contribute at least one item per year to the blog.

Recruitment of new STL members:

We next discussed recruitment of STL members and in particular increasing membership. Janet suggested looking at the email list to see who is subscribed but not yet a member.

Topics for 2012 open session in Finland

The incoming Chair suggested "Globalization" as a topic. Marty suggested we target the audience that will tend to be from surrounding countries so at a more sophisticated level rather than developing nation approach. Jim Mullins suggested that we look at data issues: who owns, manages, curates, is it open and public? Committee members agreed that was a promising topic. This would resonate with the President Elect's theme around change and the conference theme about empowering, inspiring and surprising. Jim Mullins will work with the incoming Chair to develop the topic. A proposed title is:

- "Who owns the data? Libraries' roles in curating and providing access"

Study Tour in Finland

Eva gave an update of what is currently planned. This will be a half day field trip to the Aalto University campus in Otaniemi, which is quite near to the city center of Helsinki. One idea is to arrange a visit to the Design Factory which is a platform for multi-disciplinary collaboration in product development. She is arranging for a speaker.

More details will be sent to the committee as they are developed. A budget will be developed when she gets a commitment from the university. We agreed that we try to arrange so it would not conflict with certain session.

Ideas for 2013 Satellite meeting

We agreed not to plan one for the 2013 conference in Singapore. Marty mentioned it is a lot of work and very little attendance and many cancellations

Project proposals

Hermina and Tamara presented the idea to pursue a workshop in eastern Europe in coordination with a “libraries in the digital age” conference” being held in the spring of 2013. They will develop more of a proposal including budget needs. Funding would be important for stipends and travel for attendees given the paucity of travel funding in the area. We also discussed whether we could do some kind o webinar to extend an on-site workshop. “

Annual report for 2011

Janet will draft the annual report through the end of the conference and then give to the incoming Chair to complete and submit.

The incoming Chair extended his thanks to outgoing SC members.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Andrews
STL SC Secretary, 2009-2011