

## IFLA SOCIAL SCIENCES LIBRARIES STANDING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 14, 2010, 13:15 pm – 14:45 pm (15:30)

### MEETING 2 Minutes

*In attendance: Lynne Rudasill (Chair), Liz Cooper (Secretary/Treasurer), Wilda Newman (Information Coordinator), Steve Witt, Jacques Hellmans, Maria Elena Dorte, Pat Wand, Britta Biedermann (Switzerland Institute of Sociology, Head Librarian), Fred Hay (Appalachian State Univ, Coord of Special Collections), Jemima McDonald (Australia), Lisa Hinchcliffe (Univ of Illinois – IFLA Info Lit SC).*

1. New Standing Committee members for next year: Aracelj – Spain – may be interested in joining (per Maria)
2. [Hinchcliffe] Vote on putting forward a paper from our program for IFLA; IL section (which co-sponsored) suggests Raoul and Harrison as they were most on the IL topic; Soc Sci section agreed those two papers had most IL focus, we will read papers, vote and forward our nomination
3. Counts of our program attendance: 175 before, 190, 120 before questions, 90 stayed through question
4. Satellite conference (Cuba) topic: broad topic – best practices, with virtual/digital topics – repos, dig lib, OA; social sciences being collated with development; meeting will be held in a developing country that is surrounded by developing countries, so that should be a part of it; (digital libraries in the social sciences for sustained development: OA, repositories, etc...?) – best practices, research, collaboration, networks, info lit, marketing, advocacy; can discuss further – need to fill out form, write paragraph, write up statement for call for papers; workshop, papers, posters  
DECIDED: something about: info for all : in soc science, dev, Caribbean; access for all
  - a. Finances
    - i. Funding: if we can promote in way that includes workshops for people who might attend for devel nations, we might be able to get ifla funds – sat pre conf – papers and workshops – two audiences;
    - ii. Registration: decided regis fee so people take it seriously and make sure they register ahead of time; Maria not sure if they have ability to take money/regis fees/ credit cards (could be problem for Americans). Need to investigate; if people pay, will usually show up and not just register and not come (but foreigners will have to also pay for hotel pkg etc..)
    - iii. Maria has talked to some vendors about .....(?)
  - b. Dates? Closer to conference: arr Aug 6 or 7 (8/9 confer, 10 extra day, 11 travel)

- c. Travel arrangements: Direct flights from Cuba to PR – need to investigate (8 flights/week); need cuban visas/ treasury ok; need to make info sheet for us citizens
  - i. Probably need a travel agency in US that can give advice, make flights etc..
  - ii. Maria sent Lynne some info about us citizens going to cuba
  - iii. Pat may know someone who has access to this information
- 5. Should Soc Sci Libs SC sponsor a special interest group?: Theological Libraries
  - a. Mme. Du Pont met with Lynne to discuss
  - b. If we do the SIG, is there a way to tie it in to our program for PR?
  - c. Participants would have to join SSL section, convener would become member of SC
  - d. Acad theol libs, monastery libs, etc might participate; could be way to increase membership
  - e. SIG will have to do the work to set up – get signatures etc...
- 6. Puerto Rico Program
  - a. Since doing calls for papers for Cuba, maybe do invited speakers for PR (which we also did in 2008)
  - b. Wilda and posters from this conference that might be interested in partic in our programs next year: man from Taiwan may be interested in participating in either sat or conf prog (re. Dspace); were also 2 cuban posters
  - c. Should we collaborate with another section?
  - d. IFLA Theme: Libraries beyond libraries: Integration, Innovation, and Info for All
    - i. Embedded librarians (SLA – Dave Shoemaker research, ROI; JHU Medical library closing; Nigerian poster – libns tied to health/dev going into the field), don't want to be too US centric; ties ...
    - ii. Eval of libs /lib services – how count things now; what's the progress so far on new stats (ARL); qualitative deep case studies; partner with Stats/eval; methods come from SS but not necess on; know what you are doing before get where going; eval things outside of lib to look at impact; integration of qual and quant msrment in libs
    - iii. How eval embedded libns
    - iv. Look at UNESCOs "Info for All" for ideas
    - v. Make more Caribbean centric: Haiti; NB of France agreed to dig docs that were never avail before; egov class Lynne – birth registry; theo. Lib: in haiti only ones keeping records are parish priests; fits with info for all (pulling info out); lots of NGOs – doing info gathering and dissemination
    - vi. virtual libs (World Dig Lib)...
    - vii. Can collab and have two sessions, one session, 1 session that is 2xs as long

- viii. Info for all, Haiti, dev, Caribbean: jamiaca, unesco office with info for region (maria); univ of west indies; literacy for women; literacy in Haiti—most work is in creole, but nothing to read in; OA in difficult places (challenge of OA; what can soc sci tell us about the challenges of OA – benefit a select few) taking the libr outside of lib – get the know; political economy of info for all - power relations; social science impact; partner: reading and literacy section, multicultural; BLDC, Refugee studies Oxford libs....; how make it practical – things you can do; something with indigenous knowledge
7. For both programs: need bios on speaker to get context; must introduce; checklist ; if simultaneous trans, need for speakers to have headsets for questions, etc...
  8. Wilda, Information Coordinator, Updates
    - a. Newsletters: post conference (Fall, Nov), preconference (Summer, June/July)
    - b. Listserv: approx 80 members; can the blog feed to the list; Wilda got a one on one with Simone about the listserv
    - c. Blog: other blogs are formal (announcements, articles); can keep discussions or delete them; can have more than one blog (official – meetings, agendas; 2<sup>nd</sup> more about issues discussion); what do we want it to be? Lynne – should be more lively, not so formal; ask all members to post on issues in soc sci libs regularly (give them a slot); Wilda needs to give permission to all; need to set schedule (Steve); everyone should look at blog
    - d. OTHER:
      - i. should we meet more regularly via skype etc..
      - ii. Should we think about FB?
  9. Recap of discussion at Soc Sci Libs SC meeting #1 about SC membership: Current members: Wilda, Lynne, Maria; Off: stan, liz, ralf, goswami, hellmans, witt; Need to add 7 (ALA, Liz?, Britta, Fred), Lynne corresponding with 2, Pat Wand...; Noms from Kaces, Oxford (Margaret – Steve will ask); Oct receive info – need to be done as early as possible...; Getting forms and signatures asap would be better; Liz will follow up with ALA about nom (Michael Dowling).

Adjourned 3:28PM

*Submitted by Liz Cooper, Secretary, IFLA Social Sciences Libraries Standing Committee, August 2010; rev March 2011*