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Standing Committee meetings held at the 2010 World Library and Information Congress: 76th IFLA General Conference and Assembly in Gothenburg
The Standing Committee met twice during the Annual IFLA Conference in Gothenburg

Meeting 1: Tuesday, 10 August 2010, 8:30-11:20 - Congress Centre #F2

1. Attendance and general introductions

Standing Committee Members Present: Julia Gelfand, Joseph Hafner, Judy Jeng, Sharon Johnson, Helen Ladron de Guerava Cox, Natalia Litvinova, Judy Mansfield, Johannes Rudberg, Pascal Sanz, Regine Schmolling, Sun Tan, Sha Li Zhang, Nadia Zilper

Corresponding Members Present: Elena Zhabko

Regrets: Susanne Maier, Absalom Umarov

Absent: Joanna Ball, Klaus Kempf, Corrado Di Tillio

Guests: Wu Ming (National Science Library CAS, China), Zhong Yomgheng (National Science Library CAS, China), Larry Perras (Bridge Publications, USA), Birgitte Fogh (Gothenburg University Library, Sweden), Ulla Elngvist (Gothenburg University Library, Sweden), Mariann Dalcuran (NCM, Gothenburg University, Sweden), Jérôme Fronty (ENSSIB, France), Ulla Eskelingen (Helsinki University Library, Finland), Marja Hirn (Helsinki University Library), Marja Hjelt (Aalto University Library, Finland), Shin Freedman (Framingham State University, MA, USA), Budagyan Karind (Boris Yeltsin Presidential Library, Russia), Natalia Yaremenko (Boris Yeltsin Presidential Library, Russia), Maja Markhoars (National Library of Sweden, Sweden)
1.1 Permission for observers to attend
Permission for observers to attend the meeting of the Standing Committee (SC) was unanimously granted. Observers were welcomed by Judy Mansfield, Chair.

1.2 Apologies for absences
The Chair announced the regrets that she had received from those members that had communicated their inability to attend one or both of the SC meetings.

1.3 Change in Standing Committee secretary
There was a change in the Secretary for our Standing Committee. Corrado di Tillio resigned in February and Joseph Hafner was elected to replace him.

1.4 Change in Standing Committee membership
Glenda Lammers resigned from the Standing Committee in June and Helen Ladron de Guevara was appointed to complete Glenda’s term. This changed Helen’s status from corresponding member to member of the Standing Committee.

1.5 Appointment of corresponding member
Judy Mansfield announced the appointment of Elena Zhabko, Boris Yeltsin Presidential Library, as a new corresponding member of the Standing Committee.

1.6 New institutional members of the Section
Judy also announced that there were three new institutional members of the Section:
- King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, Thuwall, Saudi Arabia
- Turkish Academic Network and Information Centre, Ankara, Turkey
- Boris Yeltsin Presidential Library, St. Petersburg, Russia

1.7 Baby announcement
Susanne Maier gave birth to Carlo Clemens Maier on July 29, 2010. Carlo weighed 3190 grams and measured 51 centimeters. There was a contest among Moscow mid-term attendees to guess the birth date, weight and length of Susanne’s baby. Nadia Zilper was the winner by guessing all three correctly.

2. Adoption of the agenda
The agenda was approved as proposed.

3. Approval of minutes of the mid-term meeting of the Standing Committee held in Moscow, 04 March 2010
The minutes were approved with a note to follow up on two action items from the minutes. One was to identify a person to do an Arabic translation of the gifts guidelines and the other was to determine the availability of data on visits to the ACQUIS web site. [Subsequently, both matters were resolved. The statistics will be made available to the SC after the close of the conference. See paragraph 5.1 below for an update on the Arabic translation.]
4. Section activities in Gothenburg
4.1 Programme in Gothenburg (Hafner)
Joseph Hafner reviewed the process of issuing the call for papers, receiving 15 proposals, reviewing the proposals, and accepting five for presentation at the Section programme, *Opening Doors to Spectacular Collections: Access to Multi-sensory, Multimedia and Mobile Materials* on Sunday, 15 August 2010, 10:45-12:45.

- How to create new services between library resources, museum exhibitions and virtual collections - Claudio Vandi and Elhadi Djebbari (France)
- Mobile digital library in the National Library of Norway - Jingru Hoivik (Norway)
- A Collaborative study on the demands of mobile technology on virtual collection development - Mari Aaltonen and Marja Hjelt (Finland)
- Digital environments and libraries: using Second Life as a catalyst for campus wide visual literacy - Julia Gelfand (USA)
- When the academic reading room and the movie theatre get married - Gregory Miura (France)

[More than 225 delegates attended the programme. All five papers are on-line at the conference website.]

4.2 Standing Committee dinner (Rudberg)
Johannes Rudberg reminded the SC of our dinner reservation at the Smaka Restaurang on Saturday, August 14, 2010, at 1900. The venue is a restaurant which was chosen and booked by Johannes Rudberg, located in the old and picturesque historic area of Haga. Eighteen members and their guests will attend the dinner.

5. Report from Division II meeting
5.1 IFLA Strategic Plan and its intersection with Section Plan
ACQUIS must assure that it follows through on action items from its strategic plan that support the new IFLA Strategic Plan and report those action items to IFLA HQ in October. Our current Strategic Plan is current through next year and there are items from it on which we can focus in the coming year.

In discussing issues related to the Strategic Plan and action items, a primary topic was promoting membership in the Section and, ultimately, the SC. Ann Okerson, Chair, Division II, joined us during this discussion.

- Share the full list of Section members with SC. *(ACTION: Judy Mansfield will send it to SC listserv.)*
- Analyze the list of Section members to identify regions of the world where we might profit by promoting the Section *(ACTION: Judy Mansfield will do this and send it to SC listserv.)*
- Rename the Section (this topic was abandoned as being too time-consuming to pursue)

The SC agreed on actions to be undertaken in support of the Section strategic plan that specifically support the new IFLA strategic goals as follows:
IFLA Strategic Plan Goal 2c *Meeting targets for strengthening our membership base*

**ACQUIS Strategic Plan Goal 5** *Strengthen the Section by pursuing measures to increase membership*

**ACTION:** Develop a promotional brochure for our Section
- Nadia Zilper and Sharon Johnson volunteered to look at the language used to describe ACQUIS in the strategic plan with the purpose of replacing it and providing text for the brochure
- Volunteers for translating the brochure text include: Pascal Sanz for French, Sun Tan for Chinese, Natalia Litvinova for Russian, Helen Ladron de Guevara for Spanish, Regine Schmolling for German and Nadia Zilper for Arabic.
- The timeline for the development of the brochure will be determined by the SC management team and communicated to Sharon Johnson and Nadia Zilper, who have agreed to assume the responsibility for this project.

**ACTION:** Send information to collection development-related listservs in our own countries to promote membership
- All SC members are responsible for this action item

**IFLA Strategic Plan Goal 3a** *Advancing professional knowledge through research and the activities of IFLA’s community of practice*

**ACQUIS Strategic Plan Goal 1** *Monitor and evaluate the evolving nature of library collections…*

1.1 *Develop annual programmes and satellite meetings…*

**ACTION:** ACQUIS is actively planning a satellite conference and a conference open programme for the 2011 San Juan congress.

**ACQUIS Strategic Plan Goal 2** *Provide information on collection development activities…*

2.1 *Focus on completion and electronic publication of the first version of the IFLA Electronic Resources Guidelines*

**ACTION:** Sharon Johnson will assume the responsibility for moving this project forward.

2.2 *Ensure that the Section’s publications are translated into IFLA languages.***

**ACTIONS:** Sun Tan will provide the Chinese translation of the gifts guidelines – within two weeks. Regine Schmolling will monitor the situation with the German translation which is underway. Joseph Hafner will investigate a resource for the translation into Arabic.

Once these translations are completed, the gifts guidelines will have been translated into all seven official IFLA languages.

**5.2 IFLA conference locations**

IFLA has implemented a 7-year cycle for planning the regional locations of the annual conferences. 2013 will be in Asia. 2014 will be in Europe.
It has also issued requirements for satellite meetings.

- The satellite meetings should take place ideally, in the immediate metropolitan region of the congress, within the same country, or within 3 hours travel time airport to airport or 6 hours from city centre to city centre.
- There must be no more than two free days between the satellite conference and the start or end of the congress.
- An IFLA unit should be the organizer, with a local host as co-organizer.

6. Planning for Satellite Conference in 2011 (St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, 10 to 12 August 2011)

Regine Schmolling led a discussion on the planning for the 2011 satellite conference. She distributed a spreadsheet of the proposed budget. Letters to sponsors have been written and distributed in English, Spanish and German. Regine requested that all SC members contact potential sponsors for the conference. Regine will supply the letter to be used. For sponsors that contribute a minimum of $1000 USD, there will be an opportunity to do 15 minutes presentations.

The University of the Virgin Islands will serve as the host with Judith Rogers as the liaison to the Standing Committee. It is hoped that there will be a minimum of 40 attendees. The planning group has budgeted for up to 10 speakers, but this number may be reduced based on the structure of the programme, which may now include interactive break-out sessions.

Judith Rogers is still searching for another less expensive hotel with breakfast included. [Subsequently another hotel was identified.]

The issue of software for online registration was discussed with several suggestions as to possible products. When polled, five SC members stated that they planned to attend the satellite conference.

7. Final items of business

7.1 Mid-term meeting

A call was put out for hosts for the mid-term meeting in 2011. Discussion was postponed to the second meeting.

7.2 Reminder

Members were encouraged to attend the Section open programme on Sunday morning at 10:45.

Meeting 2: Sunday, 15 August 2010, 13:15-14:45 - Congress Centre #G1

Standing Committee Members Present: Julia Gelfand, Joseph Hafner, Judy Jeng, Sharon Johnson, Helen Ladron de Guevara Cox, Natalia Litvinova, Judy Mansfield,
8. Future conference programmes
8.1 San Juan, 2011
The theme for the San Juan IFLA Congress is Libraries beyond libraries: integration, innovation and information for all. There were many suggestions for the Section open programme that related to this theme:
- Local generation of knowledge – integration of resources to create new topics, e.g., maps with GIS data
- Innovation with limited resource base/limited infrastructure
- Open access resources that are freely available/applying for grants for collection development purposes
- Technology and digital resource management issues – know before investment is made
- Collection development policies/plans – and looking at the different aspects related to collection building – copyright, licenses, open access, approval plans.
- Bridges between collection services and public services -- how does integration effect collection development – outsourcing
- Changing face of collection development

The final decision was to focus on the difficulties in developing collections in hard financial times – proactive collaborations, free resources, balancing e-resources vs. print, low-cost options for serials and alternative resources, infrastructure, leasing vs. owning – taking into consideration Latin American issues.

[Subsequent to the meeting it was determined that the 2011 open programme proposal submission deadlines for 2011 San Juan Congress are:
- November 2010 is the first deadline for the initial proposal
- March 2011 is the final deadline for the complete proposal including names of speakers]

A programme planning subcommittee was formed with Pascal Sanz as chair and members: Julia Gelland, Joseph Hafner, Judy Jeng, Sharon Johnson, Helen Ladron de Guevara, Sha Li Zhang, and Nadia Zilper.
8.2 Helsinki, 2012
Pentti Vattulainen, former chair of the ACQUIS SC and Library Director, National Repository Library of Finland, proposed a satellite conference in Kuopio prior to the 2012 IFLA Congress in Helsinki. The theme would be: Keeping the Tail Long (enough?) and Letting the Birds (the Wagtails?) Fly – Global Policies and Solutions for Efficient Print Resource Management and Access to Lesser-Used Documents. The sub-themes would be policy and economic issues; new technologies to enable easy and fast access; and, global division of labour in storage and access. It is estimated that the attendance would be from 100 to 150 persons. Kuopio is 5 hours by train or one hour by plane from Helsinki.

The SC agreed to co-organize this conference with at least one other IFLA section, possibly Document Delivery and Resource Sharing (Mary Hollerich, Chair) and/or Serials and Other Continuing Resources (Helen Adey, Chair). Johannes Rudberg will be the ACQUIS Liaison for the planning of this conference, if it is approved. Pentti Vattulainen (pentti.vattulainen@nrl.fi) will serve as the local co-organizer.

[It was subsequently determined that 2012 satellite conference applications must be submitted to IFLA HQ in March 2011.]

9. 2011 Mid-term meeting
We reviewed issues related to choosing the location and structure of a mid-term meeting in March 2011. Not all members of the committee will be able to attend, because of financial considerations. Sha Li Zhang, Nadia Zilper, Julia Gelfand, Sun Tan, Judy Mansfield, Pascal Sanz, and Joseph Hafner were all fairly certain they could attend the meeting next year.

Some possible locations were reviewed, including San Diego and St. Petersburg. The two choices in the end were Washington, D.C. hosted by the Library of Congress or Shanghai, China, hosted by the National Science Library. Judy Mansfield will prepare a proposal for Washington and Tan will prepare one for China.

10. Projects
10.1 E-Resources Guidelines
Julia Gelfand asked about creating an Electronic Resource Guidelines using a Wiki, but we decided against it at this time. Julia agreed to send the most recent version of the draft to the SC by August 27th. Sharon Johnson agreed to edit the latest version of the document and have it ready for review prior to the mid-term meeting with the goal to publish on our web page prior to the next IFLA congress.

10.2 Interlending and Document Supply Conference, 2011, Chicago, Illinois, USA
Nadia Zilper agreed to serve as ACQUIS Liaison to the SC of the Document Delivery and Resource Sharing Section (Mary Hollerich, Chair, mary.hollerich@gmail.com) for the planning of this conference. The 12th Interlending and Document Supply Conference (ILDS) will be held 10-12 October 2011 in Chicago, Illinois.
11. Officers Training Session report (Mansfield)
One of the topics discussed at the Officers Training Session was effective communication strategies. Patrice Landry, Chair, Professional Committee, will be seeking information from the sections on how we use our newsletters and web pages.

12. Membership on the Standing Committee
Several members are serving their first terms with an expiration date of 2011. It would be good if many of those could be reappointed for a second term by their institution. IFLA will be seeking nominations in October.

13. Brochure and bookmark
At the previous meeting, it was agreed that ACQUIS will prepare and print a brochure with the text in IFLA’s seven official languages. The final version will need to be reviewed by our Division II Chair, Ann Okerson. Joseph Hafner will inquire if the brochure can be printed at his institution. Also, see paragraph 5.1 above.
ACTION: Investigate the creation of a bookmark with basic information about the Section in multiple languages. Judy Mansfield agreed to do this.

14. Round robin
- Sha Li Zhang suggested having a website for our conference photos and Joseph Hafner agreed to set one up.
- Nadia Zilper suggested that we invite Chinese vendors to the mid-winter meeting in China, if that is our location. She is also working on fund raising activities with the Institute of the Americas National Resource Center and SALALAM.
- Julia Gelfand asked us to remember to share the list of section members. Judy Mansfield agreed to send the list to the committee members.
- Judy Mansfield reminded us that anyone on our committee can get brochures from IFLA to help promote IFLA. Contact her if you need help doing this.
- Helen Ladron de Guevara announced that she has raised $2000 for our 2011 satellite conference already and will meet with the Anaya group in Spain to see if they are willing to serve as a sponsor.
- Helen Adey, Serials and Other Continuing Resources, announced that the SOCR SC is interested in changing the name of the Section to Serials and E-Resources. Pascal Sanz said there would be an objection to this name from the Professional Committee of IFLA. Helen Adey said she would take that information back to her Standing Committee.
- Johannes Rudberg announced that 225 people attended our session today (total at noon).
- Natalia and Sharon Johnson reminded us to vote on best paper by email. Judy Mansfield will send a message to all of us to vote.
- Julia Gelfand will share notes from Ingrid Parent’s presidential planning session.
- Judy Mansfield thanked Johannes Rudberg for organizing the dinner for our Standing Committee.
- Sharon Johnson thanked Joseph Hafner for organizing the papers.
- Joseph Hafner thanked the group for their help with the conference programme.
• Joseph Hafner will contact presenters to get their PowerPoint presentations.
• Joseph Hafner and Judy Mansfield will write thank you letters to the presenters.

The group liked the design of the conference centre, wonderful volunteers, ready access to good food, excellent technology support, superb acoustics, air quality and temperature, and the restaurant coupons.

10. Adjournment