Minutes 25 April 2019
IFLA AudioVisual Standing Committee – by Zoom meeting

Participants: Debbie Benrub (Chair), Margret Plank (Secretary), Mikael Johansson (Information Officer), Monique Threatt, Tim Blevins, Patrick Megel, Giovanna Hendel

Agenda

1. update on open session
2. update on Howard’s workshop
3. officer elections
4. update on IFLA strategic planning
5. anything else people want to share

TOPIC 1: update on open session

17 Submissions, selected six (from Philippines, Ecuador, France, Singapore, Australia). The writer from Australia never responded, so that another paper needs to be chosen, or we will make do with five. [UPDATE: We now have our full lineup of six papers in the Open Session, since the Australian writer contacted Debbie on 28 April, saying that she had been on leave and confirming her participation.]

Debbie will invite SC members to view the abstracts on Basecamp, so that all Standing Committee members can see the results. [Done.]

TOPIC 2: update on Howard’s workshop

IFLA declined our satellite, because the number of participants was not sufficient for a satellite. We decided to do a workshop instead, which will be moderated by Howard Besser. We hope that the Workshop & Tour can take place in the Greek Film Archive. Debbie will contact the person in charge. If this is not successful she will let Margret know, because Margret might know someone there as well. [UPDATE: We’re waiting for a response from the Archive.]

Debbie will find out who volunteered (or will offer) to help organize the workshop.

TOPIC 3: officer elections

All officers – Chair, Secretary, and Information Officer – will be open for nomination for two-year terms. Elections will take place at our August meeting in Athens. Debbie will find out IFLA’s rules and will inform the members ASAP. She emphasized that everyone should feel encouraged to stand for election either as chair, secretary or information officer.

TOPIC 4: update on IFLA strategic planning
We have all received emails on the progress of IFLA strategic planning. The planning is still somewhat vague. We will be informed more in August in Athens. Mikael will represent AVMS at a meeting in The Hague in June. They will discuss aligning the units’ action plans with IFLA strategic planning. We will do more work on this in August.

TOPIC 5: anything else people want to share

Margret was invited by IASA to represent AVMS at their 50th anniversary in Hilversum, The Netherlands in the end of September / beginning of October this year. Since Margret will not be a Standing Committee Member of AVMS by that time any more, she could either accept the invitation as a corresponding member or, if someone else wants to go, that would be fine too. Debbie is sending the invitation to the SC members, so that the members have all the information they need.

Margret & Debbie are encouraging the members to give lightning talks on Topics connected to AVMS.

Mikael will switch the email addresses for the list and for the Scafter speaking with the list administrator and IFLA webmaster.

Topic for next year’s open session could be VR & AR projects in libraries. Mikael is setting up a Basecamp project and Debbie is asking the members to add subtopics. A cooperating section could be children’s libraries.