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INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF LIBRARY ASSOCIATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

Government Information and Official Publications Section (Section 17)

Standing Committee Meetings

2011 IFLA World Library and Information Congress

Saturday, August 13, 2011, 12:00-14:30, room 209b

Tuesday, August 16, 2011, 13:15-14:45, room 104

Puerto Rico Conference Center

1. Welcome and introductions
   In attendance: Steering committee members Jim Church, Satendra Singh Dhaka, Jackie Druery, Takashi Koga, Eleanor Frierson, and Beacher Wiggins (Library of Congress liaison to GIOPS)

2. Apologies for absence – Apologies were received from Marcy Bidney, Ursula Stanek, and Yu-Jin Choi

3. Adoption of agenda – the agenda was adopted

4. Minutes of GIOPS meetings at 2010 IFLA General Conference and Council (available at http://www.ifla.org/files/giops/minutes/2010.pdf) - the minutes were adopted

5. Financial report – GIOPS did not spend all its program money and had no projects

6. Report on August 13, 2011 Leadership Brief meeting – Eleanor Frierson reported on the various items discussed

7. Report on GIOPS Activities - Eleanor Frierson reported on activities, largely related to programs at the WLIC, including co-sponsored sessions

8. GIOPS Programs, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 2011 - "Libraries beyond libraries: Integration, Innovation and Information for all"; 13-18 August 2011, San Juan, Puerto Rico – Eleanor Frierson reported on the status of the program

9. Election of Officers – Satendra Singh Dhaka was elected Chair, Jim Church Secretary, and Takashi Koga kindly agreed to continue as GIOPS Information Coordinator.
Because IFLA HQ had stated that a treasurer was not required, since section funds are held by IFLA HQ, no treasurer was elected.

10. Other Business - none

11. Adjournment of First Meeting

Second Meeting

1. Welcome and Introductions – same attendance plus Carmen L. Montanez Reyes, an observer from Puerto Rico, and David Reser, Library of Congress

2. Apologies for Absence – same as first session

3. Plans for 2012 – a general theme for a GIOPS program session of “empowering libraries and citizens through e-government” was the consensus decision

4. Project Proposals – Eleanor Frierson mentioned a possible project related to WorldWideScience.org

5. Other Business – Steering Committee membership - if GIOPS does not recruit more members to its Steering Committee, so that the required minimum number are elected, there will be serious negative consequences. Eleanor Frierson agreed to ask the IFLA HQ staff if the current steering committee could name additional members before the next election (the answer was “no”). 2011 Programs – despite the general lower attendance, the GIOPS program was relatively well attended, the speakers were excellent, and the audience was enthusiastic.

6. Adjournment of Second Meeting