



**Information Literacy Section
Minutes
1st Standing Committee Meeting
August 22th, Milan 2009**

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1. Welcome

The session starts at 8:35 with the attendants' introduction and the apologies for absences.

2. Approval of the Minutes of previous meetings

The minutes of the previous Congress meetings (<http://archive.ifla.org/VII/s42/min/s42-200808-minutes.pdf>) are approved, and the agenda for this Congress too.

3. Report of the Officers

a) Chair's Report

Sylvie speaks about the session with Literacy and Reading Section: there have been 55 proposals from 22 countries, 31 about Information Literacy, 12 about Literacy and Reading and 8 written in one language different from English. The two Chairs decided that the

selection method would be similar to that of the previous year. The session is based on keynote speakers.

The Logo session has been managed by Jesus and Linda.

The listserv, the new website and the newsletter are the next subjects. One or two editors are necessary for the last of them.

At last Sylvie takes up the strategic plan point about participation in international IL conferences. She informs that we had an agreement with Judith Peacock for Brisbane.

b) Secretary's Report

The Secretary has worked like enabler through emails. The members of the Section have been informed about relevant issues and the Standing Committee members have received special information too. He has spread information about the Section in listservs, in ALFINRED, and in some meetings. He has participated as the Section's Secretary in two congresses: one in Vilanova (near Barcelona) in January and another one in Zaragoza (Spain). At these conferences, the Section work was presented as well as its members and future plans.

c) Information Officer's Report

Albert talks about his work on the new web, about the new tools with new possibilities and about the necessity of addressing them in the section.

d) Treasurer's Report

There were 610 euros, which have been spent on printing and paying the registration for one of the *keynote speakers*.

4. Elections of the officers

Sylvie explains how she tried to find a new chair. At last, Maria Carme accepted. Sylvie draws her profile: polyglot, some years in the section, convenor on some occasions... She cannot attend the second session because of her maternity leave. Sylvie reads the draft of the strategic plan proposed by Maria Carme, in which she aims "*to promote and enrich the work done so far*".

Almuth thinks she is a good candidate.

The current Secretary presents her work as argument in favour of her candidature.

The SC members vote (by a show of hands) for the new officers and the following members are elected:

- Maria-Carme Torras i Calvo as **Chair**
- Antonio Calderon as **Secretary**
- Albert K. Boerkhorst as **Information officer**

Sylvie says that the new web gives us new possibilities. The members should help Albert with information tasks and he will coordinate all the work. She points out that sometimes there are volunteers for some works, but later they do not do the work. Different persons give us different possibilities.

Some instructions for newcomers are ready.

5. IFLA Milan Division Business Report

The Secretary summarises the Division Meeting:

- The most important question was the change from Division VII to the new Division IV, because of it the last meeting of the Division VII took place.
- The Chair delivered "*certificates of appreciation*" for the outgoing members of the sections.

- The Chair delivered the elections forms new officers must send to Headquarters too. Nominating an information officer is mandatory, although it is not necessary to vote him/her. Only the attendants can vote and Governing Board must decide if non-attendants can be voted.
- All satellites for Brisbane have been cancelled and it is necessary to register new satellites by September.
- The election of Göteborg as the site for the next Congress was discussed.
- Finally, each section presented its agenda.

6. IL activities at the Conference

a) Milan conference program (94) *Libraries promoting twenty-first century literacies* (Monday 24 August, 9:30-12:45)

The session will be delivered jointly with Reading and Literacy Section. It will be interactive. Sylvie explains what it will be like. There will be facilitators for collaboration and to encourage participations. There are some volunteers: Almuth, Heike, Sylvie and Antonio.

b) Logo session (159): *Promoting the Information Literacy Logo Toolkit* (Wednesday 26 August, 9:30-11:30)

The main goal of the session is to promote the use of the logo in conferences, institutions, seminars, documents etc.

c) President-Elect Brainstorming meeting (122: Tuesday 25 August, 9:30-12:45)

It is important for the section to attend this session. Sheila and Antonio volunteer to attend it.

e) Lunch day

The section lunch will take place after the Logo session. Laura will help us to find a good restaurant.

At the **breakpoint**, Lisa Jacnike Hinchliffe expresses her desire to be corresponding member, as she has not been elected section member.

7. Future conference

a) Satellite meeting in Sweden

Sylvie informs that the planned satellite in Brisbane with Judith Peacock has been cancelled. It is necessary to negotiate another one for Goteborg with any members from the Nordic countries. There will be a summer course in Norway about IL. It is important for the agenda. M^a Carme has been in touch with Lars Egeland, from Oslo University College, which is about 300 km away from the conference site. We must decide the length and the time schedule of the satellite. Collaboration with other sections is possible.

There is a brainstorming with **some ideas**:

- A TTT Workshop similar to Quebec (Albert).
- Education for 7 years Asia/Oceania (Gary)
- Collaborating with *E-learning Discussion Group*
- Continuing development professional (Laura)
- Training session "*Creating knowledge*" before the congress. It's possible to use any tool for discussion online before and after the satellite. When the idea is well structured, the participative format works.
- *Information literacy for researchers* with examples from different disciplines, formats and countries (Leena)
- Annalie First could be a partner (Birgitta)
- Evaluating e-learning
- IL for disabled

We can organize two one-day programs: one will be take place one day before the Congress. The organisation must worked out carefully. The work team will be Sheila, Gunilla and, maybe, Almuth.

b) Conference program suggestions

The Congress session is discussed. Some proposals are similar to the satellite ones. There has been session about some of them over the last years. Sylvie thinks the session must be more specific than the satellite one.

At the next meeting we must discuss it.

8 Task report

a) Newsletter

The possibilities offered by the new tools are discussed. Albert must coordinate all the work regarding information. It is necessary to publish another newsletter issue in the current format before exploring alternative formats. Lisa will be the new editor.

b) Infolit Guideliness

Jesus says more translations are necessary: Portuguese, Greek... A new edition should be designed too.

c) International IL Logo

Linda has a *flyer*. On the specific session we will have feedback.

d) International IL State-of-art report

Laura has done the Italy part and Heike and Franziska the German one. Volunteers are necessary for covering the gaps.

There was not time for more questions.



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1. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 AM by Secretary Antonio Calderón Rehecho who served as acting-Chair in the absence of the incoming chair, Maria Carme Torras, currently on maternity leave. Antonio distributed copies of her greetings along with her suggestions for the satellite program for next year at the University College of Oslo, the program for Gothenburg, the agenda, the strategic plan, a task list and other topics, as well as the attendance list.

There were only 90 minutes and no presentation of the attendants. Secretary introduced Nicolás Robinson who helped him avoid language misunderstandings. Linda Goff helped him write down the minutes of the meeting.

2. Corresponding members

a) Lisa Hinchliffe

At the end of the first meeting Lisa talked to Sylvie (the outgoing Chair) and Antonio. She had sent her nomination for being member of the Section, but she had not received an answer.

Antonio talked to IFLA HQ during the Congress. It is impossible for her to be member of the Section because we already have 21 members (one more than the usual). The only way for her to participate was as a corresponding member approved by the SC. It is for this reason that this is included as a point in the agenda.

b) Others

Linda said she would be interested in being a Corresponding Member if that option were available.

Other people are interesting too. There was a discussion of standing committee membership. Antonio pointed out that only 5 corresponding members are allowed. There was a discussion about the possibility of the members of SC who do not attend the Congress leaving their places. Antonio will work with Maria-Carme to determine a solution with IFLA.

These are the corresponding member candidates:

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3. Strategic plan 2009/2011

Lisa Hinchliffe read aloud the document submitted by Maria-Carme. Linda Goff moved approval of the Strategic Plan as submitted. Discussion ensued.

Albert said he thought it was too library-focused and it is necessary to describe the institutions of goal 2. The UNESCO and TTT workshop recommendations must be included. He has already submitted additional Training the Trainers sessions for UNESCO funding and is awaiting response.

Sheila suggested we also should focus on what InfoLit means in different cultures and languages. We should also focus on the various roles of librarians in InfoLit and the role that culture plays as Susie Andretta covered in her keynote on Transliteracy in our program on Monday.

Franziska moved that we should change the order of the goals in the Strategic Plan by moving #2 to the #1 position and making Advocacy first. She also added "Understanding the various meanings of information literacy" to the newly re-numbered goal 1. The motion was seconded and carried.

Dalia spoke about Goal 3, improving communication. Her view was that the officers do not involve the rest of the Standing Committee in the work of the committee between conferences. Sheila, Albert and Dalia met with the IFLA webmaster at the conference and determined that IFLA would not be able to support a blog. Dalia volunteered to create a blog for the Standing Committee as a virtual workspace to share the workload. She will invite members and has taken photos of the SC members to use on the blog. Dalia moved that "Create a blog for the Standing Committee" be added to Goal 3. Franziska Wein seconded the motion and suggested adding a wiki, which would be open to the public and would be the best format for the State-of-art report.

Sean Cordes suggested referring this back to Albert as the Information Officer to select appropriate format and said it was important to make sure whatever we chose be easily updatable rather than be concerned about the format. Sheila agreed that simplicity was important. The motion to create a blog carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the Strategic Plan with these changes and with a later discussion online between the members of the SC (because of lack of time).

4. Future Conference / 2009 Annual Action / Planning part 2

a) Satellite meeting

Sheila submitted a summary of the ideas from our 1st meeting. Consensus was that we have a one-day meeting be held at the University of Gothenburg on the Monday August 9, before the IFLA conference which runs from Tuesday, August through Sunday August 15, 2010.

Gunilla reported that the Marketing and Management Section wanted to do a joint program in Stockholm on "Marketing Information Literacy in the New Millennium."

Secretary remembered there was a proposal by Maria-Carme who suggested having the satellite meeting at the University of Oslo. Sylvie had spoken about it in the first meeting. The contact was done. An answer about the subject was waiting.

There was a discussion about whether it would be possible to work on more than one satellite.

It was moved, seconded and carried to have the satellite meeting on Monday August 9 in Gothenburg. The program must be off-site. Gunilla, Sheila and Leena will serve as the convening team to organize this conference.

b) Session

Martin Kesselman, Chair from the Reference and Information Services Section arrived at 12:35 PM to invite us to join in sponsoring their 2010 program on pro-active librarians. "Next Generation Librarians" will be their pre-conference theme and they will hold a satellite meeting in Denmark or Sweden and already have a variety of cosponsors. He suggested a topic for a joint open session for Gothenburg which could fit in with their broad-based theme "Next Generation Reference and Information Literacy." It would be a 2 hour program with each section providing 2 of the 4 speakers.

The Social Science Section topic for 2010 is "Data Literacy" and they are also interested in jointly sponsorship as well.

Chifheng proposed another joint session with the Special Interest Group "LIS Education in Developing Countries" whose contact is Ismail Abdullahi (iabdullahi@nccu.edu).

Sean Cordes suggested we add the next generation of users to the RIS topic and focus on continuing professional development in finding ways to reach our users.

Almuth pointed out that many people liked our format this year with discussion opportunities and that we should try to retain that aspect for next year's program.

Antonio asked for a volunteer to serve as the program convener for Gothenburg.

It was moved, seconded and carried to hold a joint program with the Reference and Information Services Section. Laura Ballestra (Italy) and Sharon Mader (USA) will work with Maria-Carme and Martin Kesselman from RIS as the convening committee.

We can work on a second session because the session with RIS will be only for two hours. We must discuss this possibility online.

5. Tasks

A list of tasks was delivered in the beginning (see the annex). The members agree to do them. We can further specify them online later on.

6. Other business

a) Infolit session short evaluation

The session was very positive: many people (200), very active and proactive. The format resulted in a dynamic and enjoyable session.

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On this occasion, we did not hand out an evaluation form.

b) Second Life (Sheila)

Sheila reported that the USA is celebrating National Information Literacy Month in October 2009 and the Second Life is celebrating Information Literacy Week in the UK November 9-15, 2009. Linda Goff moved to endorse the National InfoLit Month and the motion was seconded and carried. It was then moved, seconded and carried to support Information Literacy Week in Second Life.

c) Other questions

Lisa Hinchliffe asked if we wanted to pursue further discussion with the Social Science Section on their program. If this was the case, she would be willing to contact the section chair to inform them that we would be interested in further discussion.

Sheila talked about how some of her students are working on the draft of a thesaurus for IL what would be able to tag better all the information about IL in the web. Could IFLA be interested in supporting the project in any way?

There is no time to discuss other questions Sheila had written in the delivered document.

Francis Kirkwood from the Africa Special Interest Group stopped by to say they had an idea for a joint programme on Information and Civic Literacy about access to information for some future conference. She can be reached at kirkwf@parl.gc.ca or 1-613-947-2266.

7. Closing of the meeting

It is impossible to continue in the room because another Section had a meeting there. The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM and we moved outside for group photos.

Tasks for the members of the Information Literacy SC (2009-2010)

Translation		Satellite	Session	Communication / Publications	Updating State of the art report	Congresses and news
Flyers, guidelines	Strategic Plan	Web				
Agnes	French	French			French speaking countries	x
Albert				Coordinator. Website; litserv		x
Alison					US and other English speaking countries	x
Almuth			Convenor			x
Andoni	Spanish	Spanish		Secretary tasks		x
Chihfeng	Chinese	Chinese	Chinese		China/Asian regions	x
Dalia				Setting up blog in collaboration with Albert		x
Douglas				Evaluation of the session		x
Franziska	German	German		-Setting up wiki in collaboration with Albert -Looking into how our State of the Art Report can be updated through a wiki format in collaboration with Heike.	German speaking countries	x
Gary	Arabic				Arabic speaking countries	x
Gunilla			Convenor			x
Heike	German	German			Coordinator	x
Laura	Italian	Italian		Convenor		x
Leena			Convenor		Nordic countries	x
Lisa				Contact with SSLS Newsletter		x
Maria Carme			Contact with coordination tasks	IFLA HQ and convening Chair tasks		x
Mireille	French	French		Abstract reviewer		x
Nancy				Abstract reviewer		x
Natalia	Russian	Russian			Update Eastern European countries	x
Ruth				Evaluation of the session		x
Sharon			Convenor			x
Sheila			Convenor	Helping Albert with the website. Checking possibilities		x

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Please note that this is not a final plan. There will be more tasks coming up as time goes by and thus there will be need for section members to work on them ☺

News: Is there some important event in your country (meeting, workshop, publication, website...)? Share it: a message to Listserv (and a link!)

Congresses: Have you attended any meeting? Could you summarize it? (Listserv, newsletter...) Were you a speaker? Great! Tell us about it!

The different **language versions of the web** should be available at the beginning of 2010

We should have **links** to the most important websites, manifesto, institutions... regarding IL on our website. Although we have the Directory, someone we should make a selection of them and link them to the Section's web, for instance <http://information-literacy.blogspot.com/>?