IFLA SECTION LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT

SC Meetings Singapore
I. Saturday 17 August 2013: 15.15 – 17.45 Room 309
II. Tuesday 20 August 2013: 09.45 – 11.15 Room 310

Minutes (Meetings I & II)

1. **Welcome**
   Dorothea Sommer opened the first meeting by welcoming all members of the Standing Committee and observers to Singapore. Members and observers introduced themselves. The Chair announced that during the first meeting Mr Jean-Louis Baraggioli, CTLES, France and Joseph Hafner, Jerome Fronty and Regine Schmolling, SC Acquisition and Collection Development would later join in to discuss possible future collaborations for a Satellite Conference in 2014. Edwin C. Schroeder, Rare Books and Manuscripts Section, joined the meeting as well. Also, Francis T. Kirkwood, International Library and Information Services would join the meeting later to discuss a project.

   At the second meeting Dorothea Sommer welcomed all attendees. The Chair pointed out that the focus of the agenda of the second meeting would be the planning of the next Midyear meeting, the future Satellite Conference and the Open Session in France next year. She welcomed Jerome Fronty from the SC of Acquisition and Collection Development to the meeting.

2. **Attendance and Apologies**
   Apologies were received from: Anne Bailey, Charles Forrest, Sebastien Gaudelus, Ayub Khan, Diane Koen and Corey Sue who could not attend the conference.

   The Chair reminded the members of the Standing Committee that those who serve on a Committee are expected to contribute to the Section’s work and to attend the regular meetings during the yearly WLIC conferences.

   The Chair informed those present that the Standing Committee has the following corresponding members: Karen Latimer, Janine Schmidt, Perry Moree. Santi Romero, Ingvild Monsen and Kjartan Vevle expressed an interest in staying in contact with the Standing Committee as corresponding members as well. Also, the Standing Committee received a request by Maria Musoke, Uganda to be adopted as corresponding member.

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3. **Approval of the Minutes** of SC Meetings held on 11 and 14 August 2012 in Helsinki. The minutes were accepted as a correct record and adopted.

4. **Matters Arising**
   I) All members were again encouraged to provide brief and updated profiles with photographs for the website. Information should include job title, contact details, background and experience, favourite library buildings and a favourite library building quotation.

   II) The Survey on Post Occupancy Evaluation of Library Buildings is now published on the LBE website. In order to respond to last years’ IFLA key initiative on multilingualism Santi Romero, Anette Franzkowiak and Bernadette Patte were asked to make translations into Spanish, German and French.

   III) The Chair reminded the members of the Standing Committee of important dates during the congress:

   - LBE SC 2nd meeting on Tuesday 20th August 2013, 9.45 - 11.15, room 310.
   - The Professional Units Key Initiatives Session on Tuesday 20th August 2013, 10.45 – 12.45, room Nicoll 3.
   - Meeting for IFLA Information Coordinators & Web editors on Tuesday 20th August 2013 and on Thursday 22nd August 2013, 11.45 – 12.45, room 333.
IV) Petra Hauke, Humboldt University Berlin, informed attendees that the book on Green Libraries has now been published by DeGruyter and will be presented during the conference.

5. **Election of Officers**
The term for both Chair and Secretary ends this year. Both Chair and Secretary have served for one term and expressed their willingness to stand for another term. They were unanimously re-elected by the Standing Committee. No other candidates for the positions were presented and no ballot voting had to take place. Jeffrey Scherer was appointed Information Coordinator and will also serve as editor of the Newsletter.

6. **Report from Leadership Brief**
The Chair relayed points of information from IFLA HQ which included the following:
- The new Division Chair of Division IV is Clara Chu, SC Education and Training.
- IFLA with the IFLA Library now has a working repository for IFLA documents. Open Session papers, including all those of the Section’s Session, are available on IFLA Library - [http://library.ifla.org/](http://library.ifla.org/)
- Lynn Rudasill will be the next Professional Units Chair.

7. **Report on the Midyear meeting**
Inger Edèbro Sikström reported from the Midyear meeting in Stockholm and Umeå 2013 in Sweden. Meetings in Stockholm took place at the National Library. A study visit was made to the Stockholm Public Library. In Umeå meetings took place at Umeå Public Library and study visits were organised to Umeå University Library and the building site of the new Culture Centre in Umeå by Snohetta architects. An article by Ingvild Monsen is available in the latest Newsletter.

During the second meeting possibilities for holding another Midyear meeting in 2014 were discussed. Sharon Bostick volunteered to host it in Chicago and invited the members of the Standing Committee there. The Midyear meeting is planned to take place on February 27th - March 2nd 2014 in Chicago.

8. **Report on Singapore Satellite Conference**
Jeffrey Scherer reported from the Satellite Conference - “Making ends meet: High quality design on a low budget” - held in collaboration with Li Ka Shing Library at the Singapore Management University’s Admin building. The conference was very successful offering good presentations from a variety of countries and library types. It attracted 46 attendees from a number of countries from all around the globe. The presentations will soon be available on the LBE IFLA website. It is planned to collect all papers and to publish them in an IFLA Publication Series book.

The Chair also expressed the Standing Committee’s appreciation of the excellent work and support received from Li Ka Shing Library without which the conference could not have been organized.
9. Future conferences

I) Satellite Conference

The Committee agreed on continuing preparations for arranging a Satellite Conference in France 2014. It agreed as well to hold it in cooperation with the Acquisitions and Collections Development Section.

The Standing Committee Library Buildings and Equipment had received a proposal to hold the Satellite Conference at the Centre Technique du Livre de L’Enseignement Supérieur (CTLES, Marne-la-Vallée) and the Bibliothèque universitaire des langues et civilisations (BULAC, Paris), France. Due to the newly decided cooperation between the LBE and ACD Sections as well as budget constraints it has been necessary to revise the initial plan.

It was agreed to hold the conference at the BULAC in Paris for two days, instead of one day. Jerome Fronty will explore the possibility to have the venue for the second day and have BULAC as host of the conference. A visit to the CTLES should be arranged in the afternoon on the second day of the conference.

A subcommittee for finalizing the planning of the conference was set up including Dorothea Sommer, Joseph Hafner, Stefan Clevström, Jerome Fronty, Bernadette Patte, Jeffrey Scherer, Regine Schmolling, Franziska Wein, Anette Franzkowiak and Sirpa Janhonen.

The topic of the conference will be: “Spaces and Collections earning their keep: Transformation, Technologies, Retooling”.

Dorothea Sommer and Franziska Wein (Acquisition and Collection Development Section) will prepare the draft for the Call for Papers which will be circulated to the members of the subcommittee by the middle of October and to the Standing Committees by the end of October. It will go out in the beginning of November. The Chair will then inform the Standing Committee on further dates and actions to be taken.

The members of the Standing Committee are encouraged to find ways to communicate the Call for Papers to architects, city planners, librarians, facility managers and other persons interested in the topic.

II) Open Session

During the first meeting Edwin C. Schroeder from the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section proposed that the LBE Section and Rare Books and Manuscript Sections should hold a joint Open Session in Lyon in 2014. This was agreed to by the whole LBE Standing Committee during the second meeting. The theme of the Open Session in Lyon 2014 will be “Special places for special collections”.

A subcommittee for producing the CFP and evaluating contributions was set up. Members are Dorothea Sommer, Stefan Clevström, Charles Forrest and Björn
Skevik as well as members from the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section.

The Standing Committee received another offer to hold a joint session from the Section of Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning. The focus should be on what training and learning librarians need during a space remodelling or reconstruction process to become engaged in the process. It was agreed to have such a session in 2015.

10. Newsletter
The Chair congratulated Ingvild Monsen on producing two excellent Newsletters during the last year. Ingivild Monsen’s term on the Standing Committee finishes in 2013. The Chair thanked Ingvild for her excellent and reliable work as editor during the last years. The Chair appointed Jeffrey Scherer as the new Newsletter editor.

Topics for the next issue of the Newsletter will be:

i. Singapore WLIC 2013 Conference and the Satellite Conference.

ii. Common features and differences of library buildings and spaces around the world.

Proposals should be sent to Jeffrey Scherer in late September or early October. The first newsletter will be due in December, the second in spring.

11. Website
Sebastien Gaudelus cannot continue as the LBE Section’s Web Editor since he has got a new job at the BNF in Paris. The Chair thanked Sebastien in absentia for his excellent work during the last term. Jeffrey Scherer agreed to become the new Web Editor. According to new IFLA information policies a moderated blog will be introduced on the LBE IFLA Website.

12. Action Plan for LBE Section
The Chair distributed the draft of the updated action plan of the Standing Committee and commented on it. Committee members are asked to send comments and additions back until September 30th.

13. Open Programme Singapore
The Programme of the Open Session in Singapore was discussed. The Session was well received and attracted about 350 persons in the audience.

14. IFLA Journal
The Chair reminded Committee members that each Division had to recommend one paper for publication in IFLA Journal. The members of the Library Buildings & Equipment Section selected Madeleine Lefebvre’s paper: “The library, the city and infinite possibilities - Ryerson University’s Student Learning Centre Project” for inclusion in the IFLA Journal. The Chair will forward the proposal to IFLA HQ.
15. Any other business

I) Francis T. Kirkwood asked for possible outreach activities of the LBE Section in connection with a conference in Russia. He was asked for further information.

II) The Chair thanked all outgoing members of the Section: Santi Romero, Ingvild Monsen and Kjartan Veve on behalf of IFLA for their contributions to the work of the Standing Committee during the terms they served.

III) Members of the Section will have dinner on Sunday at 7 PM at the Blue Ginger Restaurant.

Stefan Clevström
Secretary
2 September 2013

Dorothea Sommer
Chair