Library Services to Multicultural Populations Section

Standing Committee Meeting I
Date: Saturday 18 August, 2001
Time: 8.30-11.20 am
Place: Hynes Convention Center, Boston, Massachusetts

Chair: Souad Hubert (France)

Attendees: Jane Dreisig (Denmark), Marian Koren, Benedikte Kragh-Schwarz (Denmark), Christine McDonald (USA), Chryss Mylopoulos (Canada), Sigrid K. Nesland, Kirsten Leth Nielsen (Norway), Marie Polderman, Jane Pyper (Canada), Ana Asensio Rodriguez (Spain), Rynichiro Takahashi, Ryoko Takashima (Japan), Maria Tapaninen (Sweden), Susy Tastesen (Denmark), Lucille Thomas (USA), Carmen Madrid Vilchez (Spain), Kristina Virtanen (Finland), Barbara von Wahlde (USA)

Apologies: Asbjørn Langeland (Norway) and Adriana Tandler (USA)

Reporter: Jane Dreisig (Denmark)

AGENDA
A. Introductions
B. Reports
C. Discussions
D. Committee Matters
E. Other Business

MINUTES

A. INTRODUCTIONS
1. Introductions and Chair’s Report
Souad Hubert opened the meeting and gave a special welcome to the new members of the Standing Committee. Ms. Hubert also apologized for her absence from the IFLA Conference in Jerusalem (2000).

B. REPORTS
2. Minutes of the Standing Committee meetings in Jerusalem and Granada were approved with the following correction: Benedikte Kragh-Schwarz had sent her apologies for absence from the meeting in Granada.

3. Souad Hubert gave a short report from the meeting of the Coordinating Board which was held on Friday, August 17 2001. Also, a short report about the Standing Committee’s accomplishments was given including the presentation of the booklet, Celebrating 20 Years: a Brief History of the Section on Library Services to Multicultural Populations written by Marie F. Zielinska.

4. Secretary/Treasurer’s Report
No problems were reported about the account but a great deal of the money was spent on the Study tour to the Refugee Camp in Bethlehem. The financial report was distributed and approved.
5. Elections: The following persons were nominated in advance and were elected:
   Chair: Jane Dreisig, Denmark
   Secretary: Kirsten Leth Nielsen, Norway
   Information Coordinator: Barbara von Wahlde, USA
   Editor and Co-Editor /SC Newsletter: Barbara von Wahlde, USA and Jane Pyper, Canada

C. DISCUSSIONS
6. The programme in Boston was discussed. Lucille Thomas will run the Workshop on Thursday, August 23, 2001 from 8.30h-17.00h. Kirsten Leth Nielsen will present her paper from the pre-conference held in Buffalo. (Due to illness, Kirsten was not able to give the presentation in Buffalo.) Information was also given about various important meetings such as the orientation meeting for newcomers, Officer Training meetings and the meeting for newly elected Information Coordinators.

7. IFLA Booth in Boston
   Kirsten Leth Nielsen and Benedikte Kragh-Schwarz volunteered to man the Section’s booth on Monday, August 20, 2001 from 12.00h-13.00h.

D. COMMITTEE MATTERS: Information and Communication Matters
8. Revision of Guidelines
   Although it is too early to update the Guidelines yet, Benedikte Kragh-Schwarz suggested that the Committee contact the Section on Public Libraries so that their views can be represented in the Guidelines.

9. Section Leaflet/Brochure
   The Section’s brochure, last revised in 1998, needs to be updated.

10. Section Newsletter
    Newsletter articles and other content should be sent to Barbara von Wahlde. Deadlines will be: Fall, November 15th; Spring, March 15th; and Summer, May 15th.

11. Website
    Barbara von Wahlde volunteered to update the Section’s Web site on IFLANET.

F. OTHER BUSINESS
12. No any other business was discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Dreisig