IFLA Metropolitan Libraries Section
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Business Meeting II of the Standing Committee meeting of the Metropolitan Libraries Section was held in Wroclaw, Poland on 22 August, 2018 during the IFLA WLIC Conference.

Meeting commenced at 10:55 a.m.

Attendance and general introductions

Standing Committee members attending:
Corrado Di Tillio (Rome), Siobhan A. Reardon (Philadelphia), Anna Maria Soininvaara (Helsinki); Anca Rapeanu (Bucharest), Carolyn Anthony (ALA/USA),

Corrado Di Tillio – Chairperson – Welcomed All and expressed apologies from Jeff Barber (Canada) and Shuqing Chu (Hangzhou, China),

Permission of Observers to attend the meeting was unanimously granted

ABF Carte des Bibliotheques du Mode – Amandine Jacquet presented the latest work from the Association des Bibliotheques de France in creating “A Library Map.” This is a separate project from the Global Data Project of IFLA/Gates. The goal of the project is to develop a prescriptive form to load library data from around the world to use as an extensive professional e-Networking project. It is a work in progress and the association is looking for participants to add data to the project.

IFLA Short Film Awards Program – Will be held at a local neighborhood library in Wroclaw (with catering). The program is open to the public.

Corrado showed a film describing the activities of Casa dei Bimi, the branch library in Rome where the award winning video was shot. Mrs. Giovanna Scatena, author of the video, was there to talk about the film and extend her appreciation for having won the award.

At the end of the film there was a discussion as to whether there was the possibility to show all of the Short Film entries at the IFLA conference in 2018. Also, there was a discussion as to whether we like/prefer to host an event offsite for future airings.

Corrado then asked for potential sponsor for the 2018 awards – John Spears – Executive Director of the Pikes Peak Library District in Colorado said that he would be willing to sponsor for 2018.
WLIC 2018 – Kuala Lumpur – Corrado recommended that Metropolitan Libraries participate in a Poster Session which he believes will help market the Award.

The Short Film – A Corto di Libri – will be announced in the December 2017 timeframe. The grant to the winner will be made in a lump sum.

Other items: (from the Chairperson)

1. Key Indicators (KPI’s) will continue for another two years
2. On-line voting for the IFLA Global Vision is open until 30 September 2017
3. There will be a President’s meeting in Barcelona in March 2018 for an update on the Global Vision results.
4. Anca R apeanu (Bucharest) offered assistance in helping get the word out regarding the Global Visioning project
5. IFLA will be launching the Gates Global Map project during WLIC Wroclaw
6. IFLA will be sending out a membership survey during the 4th quarter of 2017 – Corrado was to find out how expansive the survey is to be – whether Institution or individual members. What is it that IFLA wants to learn from this survey
7. IFLA Logo – It was agreed that the new Metropolitan Libraries logo will be a large M (as in Metro) to reflect the section’s membership. Corrado will submit the result to IFLA.
8. The Acquisitions and Collection Development Section wishes to again link up with the Metropolitan Libraries Section for a combined program for WLIC Kuala Lumpur in 2018 focusing on digital acquisitions or Visualization of digital materials.

9. For Metropolitan Libraries Section suggestions consideration was given to “Libraries as a Safe Space” whereby papers would be considered on the role of libraries in Terrorism, Civil Unrest, Natural Disasters, etc.

10. Discussion on the guidelines regarding the measurement of impact in/on Metropolitan Libraries – Siobhan Reardon is to review documents on changes made to the guidelines thus far. Who do we need to work with MetLib on this?

11. MetLib is looking to recruit members to the 100 Cities project

12. We need to review ULC (Urban Libraries Council) membership versus Metropolitan Libraries Section membership – we want to get at what it would take to entice a library to join the Metropolitan Libraries Section.

The business meeting concluded at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Siobhan A Reardon (Secretary/Treasurer)

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