



IFLA Metropolitan Libraries Section

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Business Meeting of the Standing Committee meeting of the Metropolitan Libraries Section was held in Montreal, Canada May 5, 2017 at the conclusion of the Metropolitan Libraries Conference.

Meeting commenced at 10:22 a.m.

Attendance and general introductions

Standing Committee members attending:

Corrado Di Tillio (Rome), Siobhan A. Reardon (Philadelphia), Paul Trumphour (Toronto); Stanley Tan Tik Loong (Singapore); Jeff Barber (Regina).

Corrado DiTillio – Chairperson – Welcomed All and expressed apologies from Jasmina Ninkov of Belgrade who was not able to attend.

Permission of Observers to attend the meeting was unanimously granted

Adoption of Agenda – was made by Siobhan Reardon and Stanley Tan

Approval of Minutes – from the two meeting in Columbus Ohio was deferred until the business meeting of the Section in Wroclaw Poland;

Announcement of new Standing Committee Members: Corrado DiTillio announced the following new members of the Standing Committee whose term becomes effective at the Annual IFLA conference in Wroclaw Poland. Corrado DiTillio reviewed the obligations of being a SC member.

Barbara Lison (Bremen, Germany); Carme Galve Montore (Barcelona); Jiazhong Fang (Guangzhou, China); Ajay Pratap Singh (Banaras Hindu Library, India); Etienne Mackiewicz (Lyon, France); Carolyn A Anthony (USA); Knut Skansen (Oslo, Norway); Ivancica Dukec Kero (Zagreb, Croatia); Anna-Maria Soininvaara (Helsinki, Finland);

Also beginning their second term on the Standing Committee effective August 2017 are: Siobhan A Reardon (Philadelphia, US); Jeff Barber (Regina, CA);

Report from the Professional Committee: Corrado was asked to resend the report to the Standing Committee. October is the deadline for new projects to be submitted. Two new tools have been introduced for on-line conferences and meetings for members – Basecamp and Zoom.

Report from Athens: Corrado reviewed the three day planning session IFLA hosted in Athens, Greece. With a new Secretary General the IFLA Governing Board felt that it was important to bring together the various Sections, SIG, etc. to create a vision for IFLA. At the IFLA Conference a review of the Global Vision will be revealed.

Other items:

For Wroclaw Poland – a review of the Main program; the Joint program with the Public Libraries Section and Acquisition/Collection Development; and Division I program was discussed. The joint program needs 2-3 more presentations.

MetLib conference for 2018 will be held in Belgrade, Serbia. MetLib Conference for 2019 will be held in Helsinki and MetLib Conference 2020 will be held in Utrecht. Hopefully both cities will have their new libraries already open.

Short Film Contest. A letter requesting sponsorship for the next Short Film contest will be sent to the vendors who attended the 2016 IFLA World Congress in Columbus

Information Coordinator. A MetLib committee member is required to act as Information Coordinator. A description of requirements will be distributed to Committee members

Digital Literacy. IFLA is working on a Digital Literacy statement. Corrado has contributed information in support of the initiative.

ABF Map. A suggestion to partner with ABF to their Google map of libraries, was made by Corrado. The map would provide details about various metropolitan libraries (best practices?) or support a “sister libraries” project.

Global Libraries Statistics. Further follow up on Global Library Statistics is required.

National Reading Plans. Corrado contributed information to the team working on the National Reading Plan project

Respectfully submitted by Siobhan A Reardon (Secretary/Treasurer)