Minutes of the 32nd Business Meeting, held at the Indira Gandhi Centre for the Arts, New Delhi, India.

Sunday, 28 February 2010 at 0830 - 1000

1. Introductions

The Chairman welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

Present:  Frederick Zarndt (Chair: Planman Consulting Inc.); L . Suzanne Kellerman (acting Secretary: Pennsylvania State University Libraries); Mjlis Bremer-Laamanen (National Library of Finland); Georgia Higley (Library of Congress, USA);

Observers: Christine Baryla (Bibliotheque Nationale de France and IFLA-PAC); Else Delaunay (Bibliotheque Nationale de France); Dr. Ramesh C. Gaur (Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts); Anita Pujari (Daily News and Analysis, Mumbai); Dharam Vir (The Hindustan Times); R. Venkata Kesavan (The Times of India, Mumbai), Bob Allen (Drexel University, Pennsylvania USA);

2. Apologies for Absence

Ulrich Hagenah (Hamburg State and University Library Carl von Ossietzky); Philippe Mezzasalma (Bibliotheque Nationale de France); Pär Nilsson (National Library of Sweden); Dolores Rodriguez Fuentes (Biblioteca Nacional de España); Christoph Albers (Berlin State Library - Prussian Cultural Heritage)

3. Approval of the Agenda.

The agenda was approved.

Georgia Higley distributed the Library of Congress Update – see attached.


5. Newspapers Section Strategic Plan 2010-201. See: http://archive.ifla.org/VII/s39/annual/sp39-2009.htm It was noted that the current Plan is outdated and does not reflect new media content. The mission statement for the Section is also dated and needs to be broadened to include news on the web, news broadcasting, e-print and news archiving. Action: Georgia Higley agreed to draft a new mission statement and present it at the next business meeting to be held at Gothenburg, Sweden. Action: Each Standing Committee member is to offer (email) revisions to the Section Strategic Plan to the Chair by July 15.

6. IFLA Newspapers Section Conference Programmes 2011-2012

6.1 Theme and location for 2011 Newspapers Section Winter / Spring Meeting and Conference - Possible location sites suggested were Portugal, Africa, Japan, Brazil, Southeast Asia – Malaysia. Action: Frederick Zarndt to follow up on Portugal and Malaysia sites. [Update: Email dated March 10, 2010 from Frederick Zarndt reported that the National Library of Malaysia agreed to host the 2011 Spring Conference]. Suggested themes for the conference included newspaper libraries – past, present and future; models, standards and tools; the future of newspaper librarianship.

2011 IFLA Congress Puerto Rico. Action: The theme for the Newspapers Section Open Programme Session has yet to be developed.

6.2 Theme for 2012 IFLA General Conference Newspapers Section meeting - Christine Baryla suggested Paris as a possible location for the 2012 IFLA Satellite meeting prior to IFLA Congress in Helsinki, Finland. IFLA-PAC and Newspapers could co-sponsor the conference.

7. Newspapers Section Standing Committee membership

7.1 Membership 2010 - see agenda item #9.

7.2 Financial Report – There was no change in the Section’s finances since the last report. The Section currently has 300 EUROs in its account. Hartmut Walravens requested using some of the funds to pay for publishing the proceedings from Stockholm and New Delhi conferences. Dr. Ramesh C. Gaur reported that there will 40 papers in the New Delhi conference proceedings. Action: Frederick Zarndt to forward Dr. Ramesh C. Gaur's contact information to Hartmut Walravens.

7.3 Section Newsletters – No report was given.

8. Next Newspapers Section Conference - Several themes and location were offered for consideration. Georgia Higley offered the idea to hold the conference in Washington, D.C. preceding or following the National Digital Newspaper Program Awardee’s meeting to ensure a large number of attendees. It was noted that the Library of Congress would serve as a good venue for the conference. Possible themes for the conference were web archiving, digitization, or citizen journalism. R. Venkata Kesavan suggested the theme newspapers past, present and future – library services, user’s needs and expectations, new developments, journalism, training personnel and training for digitization. Christine Baryla mentioned that IFLA-PAC may be interested in participating in this conference too. Sponsors will also need to be identified. Action: Georgia Higley and Suzanne Kellerman agreed to investigate venues, logistics and associated costs for a conference in the Washington D.C. area. Action: Frederick Zarndt offered to solicit sponsors.

9. Newspapers Section membership

Five additional members are needed to join the Section. The University of Kentucky (U.S.A) will join as an institutional member. Mary Molinaro, Director of Preservation and Digital Programs Department, University of Kentucky (U.S.A) will apply to join the Section’s Standing Committee. Anita Pujari and Dharam Vir agreed to join the Section. Action: Frederick Zarndt will send out the IFLA website URL and the Section’s website information to Anita Pujari and Dharam Vir.

Action: The IFLA and Section membership information needs to be added to the Newspapers Section website and the Section’s Facebook page.
10. **Online resources**


10.5 The IMPACT Project website - [http://www.impact-project.eu/](http://www.impact-project.eu/)

10.6 International Coalition on Newspapers (ICON) - [http://icon.crl.edu/digitization.htm](http://icon.crl.edu/digitization.htm)

11. **Any other business**


11.2 International Coalition on Newspapers (ICON) report on progress -

11.3 Use of unneeded IFLA administrative money to prepare conference papers from Moscow and Stockholm for Saur Publishing


The publications include:

- **The Impact of Digital Technology on Contemporary and Historic Newspapers** by Ed. by Hartmut Walravens, in collab. with National Library of Singapore
- **Newspapers collection management: printed and digital challenges** by Ed. by Hartmut Walravens
- **Newspapers of the World Online: U.S. and International Perspectives** by Ed. by Hartmut Walravens
- **International Newspaper Librarianship for the 21st Century** by Ed. by Hartmut Walravens
- **Newspapers in Central and Eastern Europe / Zeitungen in Mittel und Osteuropa** by Ed. by Hartmut Walravens
- **Newspapers in International Librarianship** by Ed. by Hartmut Walravens and Edmund King
- **Managing the Preservation of Periodicals and Newspapers / Gérer la conservation des périodiques et de la presse** by Ed. by Jennifer Budd