



IFLA

School Libraries Section

Minutes of the Standing Committee Meetings I & 2
Columbus, Ohio, USA 13 and 16 August 2016



Standing Committee Meeting I, 13 August 2016

Members in attendance: Lesley Farmer, Chair (USA), Verena Lee Ping (Singapore), Karen Gavigan (USA), Valérie Glass (France), Joanne Plante (Canada), Rei Iwasaki (Japan), Ivanka Stricevic (Croatia), Albert K. Boekhorst (Brasil) and Annike Selmer, Secretary (Norway)

Visitors: 3 representatives from Kazakhstan

Members not in attendance: Danielle Martinod (France), Dianne Oberg (Canada), Mireille Lamouroux (France), Lisa Åström (Sweden), Vanja Jurilj (Croatia), Irina Nehme (Germany), Judy O'Connell (Australia)

1. Welcome and introductions: Chair Lesley Farmer welcomed all members of the Standing Committee to the first meeting during the IFLA WLIC2016 Congress, and each participant and observer introduced themselves.

Formalities: The minutes from the Standing Committee meetings in Cape Town and Zagreb (midyear meeting) were approved.

2. Chair report: The Chair Lesley Farmer gave a written report of the Section's work for the last year according to the Action Plan.

3. Secretary's & Treasurer's report: **Secretary** Annike Selmer gave a short, oral report. The small budget of the section is used for copying and gifts for speakers at the conference.

4. Communications Coordinator's report and discussion: Information coordinator Albert Boekhorst gave an oral report. Some numbers from the report:

Mailing list of 221 members. Most of the e-mails are sent from the SC. It is difficult to get participation from the members.

349 followers on Facebook.

Memberships: 29 are members to the section, mostly organisations/institutions.

The SC approved to adopt Basecamp as the new working tool. Albert Boekhorst and Annike Selmer will send invitations to everyone on e-mail after the conference. The new brochure is posted on the website, and was handed out.

5. Action Update:

a. Midyear Meeting, Zagreb, Croatia report was approved. All agreed in thanking Vanja Jurilj and Ivanka Stricevic for an excellent meeting.

b. IFLA Strategic Plan 2016-2021 is included in the action plan of the Standing Committee.

c. **Satellite meeting in 2017 in Wrocław, Poland** will focus on implementing the guidelines. Albert Boekhorst and Karen Gavigan will work further on this together with the local school library association. The idea is to make the satellite meeting active and interactive. It will be a one day meeting – hopefully on Friday 19th of August; Albert will check about the date.

6. New Initiatives

- a. **What makes a dynamic profession unit** – postponed to next meeting
- b. **Standing committee nomination discussion.** In 2017 there will be elections to the Standing Committee. 8 of the SC members are up for re-election. It would be good to have more SC members from Africa and South-America; all SC members are urged to encourage candidates from these regions in particular.
- c. **Midyear meeting in Sweden.** Lisa Åström's kind invitation was accepted. The meeting will be held April 3rd to 7th in Stockholm. More details were e-mailed during the Congress to the entire SC. Dianne Oberg agreed on location and program by e-mail.
- d. **Proposal for WLIC Poland in 2017.** Ideas were discussed, and it was agreed that this would be finalized on the next meeting. An e-mail with some suggestions to those who were not present was sent after the meeting.

Standing Committee Meeting II, 16 August 2015 9:45 AM – 12:15 PM

Second Standing Committee Meeting - Tuesday

Members in attendance: Lesley Farmer, Chair (USA), Verena Lee Ping (Singapore), Karen Gavigan (USA), Valérie Glass (France), Joanne Plante (Canada), Rei Iwasaki (Japan), Ivanka Stricevic (Croatia), Information Coordinator Albert K Boekhorst (Brazil) and Annike Selmer, Secretary (Norway)

Observers: Emmanuel Oduxgwu, Nigeria, Isabel Mendinhos, Portugal, Theresa Fredricka, Ohio, Rob Hilliker, Connecticut, Inge Dines Jensen, Denmark, Christophe Poupet, France, Raissa Teodori, chair Division 1, Loide Muhoka, Nigeria, Evelyn Coc, Blanca Bonnelly, Jenny Nilsson, Sweden, Thaddeus Andracki, Steven Yates, Audrey Church, Lisa Travis, Peinos Juznic and Barbara Schultz-Jones, Texas

Sessions coming: Wednesday with Children and Youth, Thursday: Inclusionary practises, Friday: School Library Trip

Elections 2017:

Half the committee is up for re-election/end of their term. The standing committee would especially welcome new members from Africa. All section members and standing committee members are encouraged to nominate new and current candidates for the elections that will be held by the beginning of 2017.

School Library Education in Slovenia is very active, and the SC will reach out to Slovenia to have them represented on the Standing Committee.

Criteria for a dynamic professional unit – the IFLA Governing Board sent out a document on criteria for a dynamic professional unit that they wanted all sections and SIGs to respond to. The Standing Committee received the document by e-mail before the WLIC 2016, and several of the SC members had responded to the document. The SC made some modifications during the meeting, and the document it is now ready to be returned to the Governing Board. During the WLIC the chair and the secretary went to a workshop where the criteria were discussed with other IFLA officers.

Communication plan – Albert K. Boekhorst presented the SWOT analysis in the Communication plan. The committee and guests all contributed to the analysis.

Accessibility at IFLA Conferences – The SC received a new document on accessibility to IFLA conferences developed by the IFLA Section on Library Services to People with Special Needs. The SC discussed the document, and suggested responding with one additional suggestion. The SC would like to include a suggestion that it would be wise to link up to local organisations to solve some of the challenges organisers can meet in connection to people with special needs while organising IFLA conferences.

Action plan:

Sessions in Poland:

1. Professional Development for School Librarians

The Chair of the Section of Education and training would like to partner with the SC on organising one session on professional development in the school library field. Good themes for papers could be experiences from supervisors, mentors and feedback from former students. The emphasis would be on field experiences and internships as part of training.

The School Library Section will take a lead on this session.

People involved will be: Karen Gavigan, Barbara Schultz -Jones, Primoz Juznic and Annike Selmer

Valerie Glass will contact the Continuing Professional Development Section to hear if they would be interested in cooperating in this session.

2. Creating a Reading Culture

This session will be held in cooperation with the Children & Youth Section and the Literacy and Reading Section.

Reviewers: Ivanka Stricevic and Joanne Plante

3. The use of audio-visual material and the impact for the literacy in the schools/student created videos.

This session will be held in cooperation with the Information and Literacy Section and the Audio-visuals Section.

One of the other sections will take the lead on this.

Reviewers: Valerie Glass and Albert K. Boekhorst

New book initiative

Barbra Schultz-Jones and Dianne Oberg are trying to reach out to the publisher De Greuter with an idea for a new book on implementing the guidelines. Unfortunately this has not been easy, mainly because IFLA is looking for a new editor.

There is an initiative for another book on how libraries use games for teaching, and the tentative editor will send Albert K. Boekhorst the information. Those who are interested in contributing to this publication can send a message to Albert K. Boekhorst, and he will forward the message. There will also be a conference in New York later this year on how do games are used in teaching.

Professional report

A possibility for encouraging the implementation of the guidelines could be to publicize a profession report. Lesley Farmer suggested that the SC should make a professional report on collected resources, and the SC approved that idea. She will look further into how such a document could be created.

Guidelines implementation

Products: resource list and Powerpoint with sound. The modules are getting prepared. The SC has responded to Karen Gavigan, who will oversee the workshop in the IASL conference in Tokyo next week.

The important point is that the documents should be useful for all – out of the social or economic framework. The learning process and students should be in focus, which follows the guidelines' structure.

A lot of technical issues were discussed. The size of the files is a challenge.

Other questions

The date for the satellite in Poland; is it possible to change from 16Aug. 16th to Aug 18th? Boekhorst will look into this.

The next meeting of the Standing Committee will be the mid-year meeting in Stockholm in April 2017.

Valérie Glass has kindly invited the Standing committee for the 2018 mid-year meeting in Lyon, France.