Science and Technological Libraries Section

Standing Committee Meeting Minutes

1st & 2nd Meetings

Saturday, August 15th, 2015, 012:30 – 15:00 Room 2.61-63

Wednesday, August 19th, 2015, 08:00 – 9:30 Room 1.61/1.62

1. Introductions of STS Committee Members and Guests: all members and guests signed-in. List of Attendees & Guests (attached). No quorum was achieved as Standing Committee members only included Jim Mullins, Zhixiong Zhang, and incoming new members Maria Musove & Julia Gelfand.

2. Absent were Ajay Singh, Anne-Catherine Fritzinger, Annelie Janred, Anthi Ktsirikou, Carol Feltes, Christina Birdie, Daulat Jotwani, Deborah Sibley, Deva Reddy, Marty Kesselman, Elizabeth Connor, Hermina Anghelesu, Ronald Munatsi, Tamara Krajna, Shamin Renwick. Standing Committee currently under capacity.

3. Julia Gelfand agreed to record minutes.

4. Approval of/or additions to the Agenda.

   1. Moved and accepted

5. Approval of Minutes, Lyon, 2014

   1. Moved and accepted

6. Chair’s Report, Officer’s Training Session will be attended by Jim Mullins.

   1. Sunday, Division Leadership Forum: Division I: Library types. Jim Mullins attended this meeting and reported on the Introduction of the draft of the new IFLA Strategic Plan/Directions for 2016-2021 & Key Initiatives for 2015-16.

      1. There are 4 strategic directions for 2016-2021 and each has a set of priorities for the two years 2015-16 known as Key
Initiatives with separate bullet points introducing & enhancing content

1. Libraries in Society
   1. Reading & Literacy
   2. Libraries & international organizations
   3. Libraries within a changing environment
   4. Promoting IFLA standards
   5. Changing attitudes & perceptions

2. Information & Knowledge
   1. A sustainable information environment
   2. An equitable copyright framework
   3. Influencing internet governance

3. Cultural Heritage
   1. Preservation of cultural heritage

4. Capacity Building
   1. Libraries within the UN Post-2015 Development Agenda
   2. International Advocacy Program
   3. Advancing Leadership
   4. Strong library associations
   5. Enhanced regional presence
   6. Increased public library participation

Short discussion followed about what key points are most relevant to this Section - and they were noted as mostly included in #2: Information & Knowledge as that is where the framework for building a set of resources to inform our policy work on access to information, data & knowledge, the Hague Declaration on Text & Data Mining is mentioned as is Open Source/Open Access, and #4C for STEM education
2. Election of STS Section Officers: Chair, Secretary and Information Officer.

Elections to be held for all three positions since terms are up for present officers: James Mullins, Chair, 2013-2015, eligible for re-nomination. Deva Reddy, Secretary, 2014-2015, non-eligible for re-nomination, term ends 2015. Annelie Janred, Information Officer, eligible for re-nomination or other office.

Nominations were made for:

1. Chair - Jim Mullins for 2d term
2. Secretary - Annelie Janred
3. Information Officer -

Since no quorum was achieved a special election will be held conducted by the IFLA HQ once a full-ballot is composed - still need nominations for Information Officer - Jim Mullins will distribute an eMail message to SC Members to seek nominations. Until that happens Jim Mullins will serve as Acting Chair and will attend the New Officers Orientation Session.

6. Discussion of 2015 STL Section Program – The Challenge of Discovering Science and Technology Information. Tuesday, August 18th, 13:45 – 15:45 Roof Terrace Room - Julia Gefand will create an evaluation form for distribution to attendees. There were 10 submissions and 5 papers were accepted with 4 papers being delivered, all in English. No simultaneous translation. International representation achieved with papers from China, Australia, Germany & Brazil. Program is as follows:

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**Paper in English**

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<td>• Sarah Hayman (Flinders University, Australia)</td>
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<td>• Jennifer Tieman (CareSearch and Flinders Filters, Flinders University, Australia)</td>
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### Paper in English

3. [Cancelled]

4. **A Tool for Systematic Visualization of Controlled Descriptors and Their Relation to Others as a Rich Context for a Discovery System**

- Frank Seeliger (Technical University of Applied Sciences Wildau, Germany)

### Paper in English

5. **Library Network in Science and Technology: Brazilian Experience in Innovation in Strategic Areas of National Development**

- Lillian Alvares (Libraries Network of the Research Units of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation of Brazil, Brazil)
- Silvia Castro Marcelino (Chief Information and Documentation Service of the National Institute for Space Research, Brazil)
- Fabiane dos Reis Braga (Information Centre of the National Nuclear Energy Commission, Brazil)
- Bianca Amaro (Laboratory of Treatment and Dissemination of Information Methods of the Brazilian Institute for Information in Science and Technology, Brazil)
- Tainá Batista de Assis (Portal of Open Book in Science, Technology and Innovation, Brazil)

7. **Reminder of Agricultural Information Section Program – Tuesday, August 18th, 16:00 – 18:00 Roof Terrace Room.**

8. **Discussion and planning for Program, Columbus, Ohio, USA, 2016.** We were encouraged to think how ideas are supporting the strategic directions & key initiatives and how we can potentially collaborate with other sections and interest groups. The overall theme to be defined with subthemes in the call is "Role of Libraries and Librarians in Data Curation & Archiving: An International Perspective." Additional discussion will take place at 2d SC meeting. Jim Mullins will draft initial call and distribute for feedback and also seek interested committee members to work on the program, meeting deadlines, posting information, etc. Some subthemes that emerged included:

1. **Training**
2. Partnerships, collaboration, expertise
3. Global activities & interests
4. Software technologies
5. Policy Development

It was suggested that STL reach out to the Big Data SIG and the Knowledge Management Section, Academic & Research Libraries, Health Libraries Section.

There will not be a satellite meeting, but what other special plans for Columbus does this section want to make. Need to know who will be likely to attend.

9. Discussion of Dinner with Standing Committee Members. Determined that since there were only 4 members attending that we may pass next year.

10. Other topics or discussion items?

11. Meeting was adjourned at 13:50. Reminder of 2d meeting on Wednesday morning at 08:00.

**Wednesday, August 19th, 2015, 08:00 – 9:30 Room 1.61/1.62 - STL SC II Notes**

An even smaller group met (5 persons total) and we reviewed:

1. The program – Julia issued an evaluation form and we found that the major interests were about new roles for science libraries and training. Scores were high for presentations.
2. Reviewed content for Action Plans 2015-17
3. Raised ideas for how to grow section membership and engagement
4. Identified other Science Library Groups to liaise with including ALA, SLA worldwide chapters, European groups, ICSTI, etc.

**Recorded by Julia Gelfand**