Section on Education and Training

Minutes

First meeting:
Saturday, August 13, 2005, 8:30 - 11:20 am. Oslo, Norway

Present: Terry Weech (chair), Niels Ole Pors (Secretary), Anne Maria Tammaro (Information Officer), Marielle de Miribel, Shaunsaku Tamara, Jacqueline Dussolin-Faure, Petra Hauke, Mouna Bensilmane, , Francoise Lerouge, Cristobal Urbano, Susan Lazinger, Ismail Abdullahi,


Observers: Patricia Oyler, Judy Field, Frederic Blin, Andrea Kaufmann, Manuela Schultz, Jana Grünewald, Ian Johnson, Chihfeng P Lin, Michael Leach, Radia Bernaqoue, Brian Negin

The chair of the section, Terry Weech, opened the meeting.

1 Introduction and Welcome
Introduction of Officers, Standing Committee members, and observers. Terry Weech introduced the officers and welcomed the delegates and participants in the meeting.

The Agenda for the meeting was approved

In the election process for new committee members of the section, the problem with a tied election was moved later on the agenda.

The minutes from the meeting in 2004 in Buenos Aires were approved. The minutes can be found at the following address: [http://www.ifla.org/VII/s23/annual/set-minutes04.pdf](http://www.ifla.org/VII/s23/annual/set-minutes04.pdf)

Terry Weech and Niels Ole Pors gave a short report on the meeting in Division VII that took place Friday the 12th August. Report on Division VII meeting, August 12, 2005 in Oslo

Terry Weech was reelected as chair and treasurer. Niels Ole Pors was reelected as secretary. Anna Maria Tammaro was reelected as Information Officer for the section.

The editor if the SET–Bulletin, John Harvey has announced his resignation. Terry Weech noted that the newsletter comes out twice a year and that the minimum requirements are once a year.
He also indicated that we would start to look for a new editor. On behalf of the committee, Terry Weech thanked John Harvey for the tremendous work he has done on the SET – Bulletin.

We had a short discussion about corresponding members. It was decided, that Karisidappa from India will continue. Suggestions were made for new corresponding members. It was decided that the officers of the section will review the suggested nominations and will consider them for corresponding membership in the context of IFLA guidelines for corresponding members.

3. Officer reports

Terry Weech, Niels Ole Pors and Anna Maria Tammaro summarised and gave short reports of the activities during the year. The report from the chair has been sent as an e-mail attachment to the members of the SET – committee. Terry Weech gave an overview of the financial situation and suggested that 800 EUR out of approximate 1000 EUR be put aside for editorial assistance in relation to the newsletter. Terry Weech also gave an orientation about the funding structure and the regulations behind the funding.

4. Conference Program Planning

Niels Ole Pors summarised the actions taken planning the joint off site session arranged together with the Library theory and Research Section and the Divisional session about Recruitment and Careers. In total, more than 55 extended abstracts were sent and the papers selected are of a high quality.

Mouna Bensilmane, chair of the planning committee, and Ismail Abdullahi, a member of the planning committee for Seoul, reported the actions taken so far. There will be a two part all day program. The first part will be sessions planned together with the Korean hosts focusing on the problems and needs of Asian Education for Library and Information Science. The second part with a call for papers will focus on continuing education for library and information science teachers and educators.

The presentation was followed by a discussion on the relationship between invited papers and open calls for papers. The discussion focused also on possible overlaps with the section for Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning.

5. Projects and publications

There were no new proposals for projects for 2005-2006.

Maria Tammaro gave a report of the project: A survey of quality assurance models in LIS – programs. A draft report has been made and the study is nearly finished. The draft report is posted on the web for Standing Committee members to comment and make suggestions.

Terry Weech and Niels Ole Pors gave a short report about the project: Education for Digital Librarianship. The project will be finalised by the end of 2005 and reported on in Seoul.

Niels Ole Pors gave a report on the project: The World Guide to Library and Information Studies Education. The editor appointed in Buenos Aires, Judy Field, wanted to resign from editorship because of problems with the data collection. There are only 33 entries and Judy Field reported about the difficulties of getting answers to the questionnaire. She also reported on the difficulties in getting information from the earlier editor.

The committee discussed the different implications of the external funding and there was a general consensus that members of the committee should try carry the project on to a conclusion and benefit from the work already done. The implications and decisions of this consensus were moved to the next meeting on the 19th August.

6. SET Mission and Strategic Plan

Anna Maria Tammaro gave a short report on the updating of the section’s Mission and Strategic plan. The updated plan can be found at IFLA-net.
7. Other Business
Anna Maria Tammaro and Jacqueline Dussolin-Faure volunteered to represent the section in the IFLA Booth.

During the meeting, an election took place to break the tie vote in the general election to the Standing Committee. The results showed that Marielle de Mirabel was elected as a new member of the committee for a four year term. It was also decided that S.B.Ghosh should take the remainder of Raslin Bin Abu Bakar’s period. Bakar has not at all been in contact with any of the officers of the section and has not answered any communication. (Note: Subsequent to the meeting Sandra Lee resigned her position on the Standing Committee and S.B. Ghosh was thus eligible for a four year term.)

Ian Johnson gave a short report on the activities of the E-learning Discussion Group. As discussions groups are considered project groups, they only exist for a 2-year period. The discussion group will discuss where to go from here.

Niels Ole Pors - September 2005  (Revised 10-3-05)

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Second meeting:
Friday, August 19, 2005, 8:00 – 10:50 am. Oslo, Norway

1. Introduction and Welcome

Present:: Terry Weech, Susan Lazinger, Ismail Abdullahi, S.Tamura, Niels Ole Pors, Françoise Lerouge, Kornelia Petr, Petra Hauke, Marielle de Miribel, Mouna Bensilmane Cristobal Urbano

Absent with Apologies: Barbara Dewey, Joyce Kirk, Aira Lepik, John Feather, Anne Maria Tammaro.

Absent without apology: S.B. Ghosh, Tatiana Kouznetsova, Sandra Lee.

Observers: Ann Ritchie, Myriam Lemmens, Patricia Oyler, Alice Miranda, Sanyice Falitar, Bettina Brenner, Ian Smith, Jana Varleis, Johannes Britz, Michael Leach, Chih-Feng P. Lin, Frederic Brin,

The agenda was approved with the following additions:

- The Euclid meeting in Copenhagen
- Editor of the newsletter
- E-learning discussion group

2. Reports from Conference Program Planning Committees

- Niels Ole Pors gave a report from the joint session with Library Theory and Research. The session went very well. The only problem was the number of participants. Over 100 turned up and the planning had estimated around 60.
- Françoise Lerouge gave a report on the activities of the E-learning discussion group: More than 100 people turned up for the session. It was also reported that the discussion group will continue for 2 more years and that the group is considering seeking status as a section. The E-learning discussion group will also plan activities in Seoul.
- Seoul, Korea 2006, Mouna Benesilimane gave the report on the planning and decisions made. Mouna decided to maintain the original program.
There will be a morning session with an Asian focus with invited papers. The morning session will be followed by an afternoon session with call for papers and focus on dimensions of continuing education and life-long learning among LIS teachers and educators. The discussion showed that it would be necessary to make the call for papers more clear, because at the moment the text could be interpreted as an overlap to the area of general continuing professional development.

- There was a discussion about a divisional program in Korea. The topic: Education, Research and Globalisation was put forward as a suggestion. This will be discussed at the next meeting in the Division.
- Ismail Abdullahi is chair of the program committee for 2007 in South Africa. He has already been in contact with colleagues there and is planning a one day workshop in cooperation with South African colleagues. The theme of the workshop is: "Library and Information Science Education in Africa" The workshop will be held at the University of Kawazululand-Natal. The workshop will be divided into morning and afternoon session. The morning session will address "Collaboration among LIS Schools in Africa” and the afternoon session will address "Cultural Mediation in LIS Teaching in Africa.” The program planning committee is also investigating the possibility of running a joint session with CPDWL at the Durban, South Africa, conference.
- Francoise Lerouge was appointed chair of the planning committee for the conference in Quebec, Canada in 2008. She will seek other members of the planning committee.

3. Projects and Publications

Follow up from the meeting August 12th

- The World Guide
  The discussion centred on the World Guide. There was a general agreement that members of the SET – committee should try to salvage as much of the project as possible. First of all, we should ask for a full report and the work done until now. Several members, including Ismail Abdullahi and Susan Lazinger, volunteered to give the project a last go in the autumn 2005.
  It was also decided that we should contact the regional editors once again.

  Chih-Feng P. Lin, who has volunteered as an regional editor gave this opinion and information:

  “Colleagues:
  Although I am an observer, I appreciate you giving me this opportunity to speak. I do have some comments and suggestions to share with colleagues in reference to the World Guide.
  1. We should encourage LIS educational institutions to post English version on their website.
  2. Create a "Letter of Introduction" for our regional editors; this will confirm their authority to collect institutional information on behalf of IFLA.
  3. For data input of the World Guide, you should consult the regional editors before creating the database. These editors will help you to choose fields that are appropriate for the individual regions. Examples include ZIP codes, which are different from country to different country; other example will be telephone number, fax number...
  4. Finally, regional editors should be allowed to review and edit all data for their region.”

- Newsletter
  Petra Hauke volunteered to make a proposal for the form and content of a new Newsletter. This proposal will be the basis for investigating possible candidates for the editorship of the SET Bulletin.
4. Budget for 2006
Terry Weech suggested that we put aside 800 Euros for the Newsletter and 200 Euros for editing and distribution of finalised projects.

5. Other Business
Ismail Abdullahi reported from the European Union LIS – educators meeting in Copenhagen, August 2005 and emphasised that the meeting was successful. Peter Lor has expressed an interest that our section becomes involved in further meetings of this group.

Petra Hauke suggested that our section’s leaflet also would be in German and Russian languages. It was further suggested that the leaflet ought to be in Korean and Chinese.

Ismail Abdullahi suggested a new corresponding member. He was asked to forward the names and corresponding addresses of his suggestions to the officers for review.

Niels Ole Pors
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