



## Section on Education and Training – Yearly Meeting

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### Minutes of the Yearly Meeting (in Zoom) 2 September 2020

#### Attendance on 2 September 2020:

Kendra Albright – Chair (USA), Joan Weeks – Information Coordinator (USA), Albina Krymskaya – Secretary (Russia), Saif Aljabri (Oman – Member), Howayda Kamel (Egypt– Member), Jaya Raju (South Africa – Member), Barbara Schultz-Jones (USA – Member), Kathleen DeLong (Canada – Member), Megan Price (IFLA Professional Support Officer), Ilmar Vaaro (Estonia – Member), Jasenka Pleško (Croatia– Member), Anna Maria Tamaro (Italy – Member), Linlin Geng (China – Corresponding Member).

Apologies: Hiroyuki Tsunoda (Japan – Member), Sohaimi Zakaria (Malaysia – Member), Susmita Chakraborty (India – Member), Jennifer Brach-Mueller (Canada – Member), Thomas Chaimbault-Petitjean (France – Member), Susanne List-Tretthahn (Austria – Corresponding Member).

#### 1. Opening and confirmation of the agenda

The meeting was opened at 9.00 – 10.30 am (New York). The agenda was confirmed for the meeting.

#### 2. Update from the Section Chair

Kendra suggested Megan to start a meeting.

Megan started a meeting and explained her role as Professional Support officer – a liaison between SET as a unit and IFLA.

Update on ongoing projects according to the Action Plan:

##### (1) BSLISE Working Group

Jaya (a co-chair of the BSLISE Working Group) gave a brief report. It is uploaded on the website of BSLISE Working Group ([www.bslise.org](http://www.bslise.org)) [here](#).

Everyone thanked Jaya and Clara for a great leadership in this project.

##### (2) LTR-SET Joint Project

Anna Maria reported that she did not have any contact on this project.

Kendra asked Barbara to find out any news.

##### (3) KM-SET Joint Project

This project was postponed for a year.

Updates on the Division IV would be uploaded on the website as soon as the Division IV has a meeting.

Since SET has to prepare reports Kendra asked leaders of the project to work on reports and send it back to her.

Kendra said that the next year SET will have 4 projects.

### **3. Update from Information Coordinator**

Joan said that a good thing was that several months ago IFLA began redesigning the website, but COVID-19 stopped this project. We should review pages of the webpage for SET and see if we need to update anything there.

Albina suggested uploading information about The Student Spotlight.

### **4. Update from SC members**

Anna Maria suggested a new project for SET – “IFLA Academy”. She reported about it briefly

She proposed to set up an IFLA Academy with the aim of improving teaching and learning in LIS education to enable professionals to carry out the IFLA Global vision. The opportunity to adapt training to the Global vision gives a new importance to creating a global curriculum and organizing a Summer School. Professionals must be educated to be able to play a social role and support the needs of society, such as the UN SDGs. The proposal is focused on the vision of IFLA in general but in particular is relevant to the following point of the IFLA Strategic Plan and Key Initiatives (Strategic direction 2: Inspire and enhance professional practice; Strategic direction 3: Connect and empower the field. Key initiatives: 2.1 Produce, communicate and distribute key resources and materials that inspire the profession; 3.1 Provide excellent opportunities for face-to-face networking and learning. IFLA Academy wants to offer both learning material and training events aimed at the widest possible involvement and cooperation of the whole professional community to adapt LIS education to the Global vision.

IFLA Academy will pursue the objectives to:

- Realize an international curriculum design, suitable to fulfill the Library and Information services role foreseen in the Global Vision;
- Develop OER with open license for their reuse and adaptation to local needs;
- Plan a Training the trainers event, testing the OER and the Curriculum developed;
- Organize a Summer School with students and professionals before or after WLIC 2021.

Megan told that a new template of funding application for requesting the budget will be out soon.

Kendra reported that SET is going to have a mini-conference on November 19-20, 2021.

Megan told that to organize this event SET should reserve a spot in Zoom and on event calendar.

Saif reported that LIS Education in Developing Countries SIG is going to have a session together with Information Literacy Section next year in 2021.

Joan suggested considering a topic for the future session during the congress - overcoming challenges of learning during the COVID-19. Barbara agreed that this topic is important.

Kendra asked SC members if they are not involved in any projects to volunteer.

Saif suggested setting up a spreadsheet with those who involved in any projects.

### **Close**

Kendra asked if SET should meet more often. Next meeting is scheduled for February.

She thanked SC members and Megan for attending the meeting and wished everyone to stay well.