Minutes of the Second Standing Committee Meeting,

Section on Education and Training, World Library and Information Congress (WLIC), Cape Town, South Africa

Date: August 20, 2015

People Present:

Primoz Zuznic and Suzanne Samir, joint chairs
Michael Seadle and Karen Downing, outgoing joint chairs
Susmita Chakraborty, secretary
Lisa Davis, information officer
Clara Chu, Petra Hauke, Dan Dorner, Stacey Greenwell, Ismail Abdullahi, Randa Kamal, Sarbana Schullz-Jones, Ulrike Lang, Takashi Nagatsuka, Yasuyo Ihoue, Chihfeng P. Lin, Heidi Kristen Olsen, Alexandra Ruleva, Lawrence Abraham Gojeh, Selina Kapundera, Joan Weeks, Winnor Chaminga, Petra Duren, Jennifer Paustenbaugh, Ramesha, Musa A. Bello, Omopupa Kamal Tunde, Kohawole E. Priscilla

Apology from outgoing Secretary Gillian Hallam

Item 1: Brief introduction of the members

Item 2: Report on Division IV Meeting

Congratulations was offered towards outgoing secretary Gillian Hallam for becoming the Secretary of the Division IV.

Primoz and Suzanne reported about the Division IV meeting where all sections are requested to link their activities to the proposed IFLA Strategic Plan for 2016-2021.

It was decided that SET will carefully develop all 2016 and 2017 workshop and program plans so as to suit IFLA Strategic Plan.

Item 3: SET Program Session in IFLA WLIC 2015

Primoz reorted that both the contributed paper session and the panel discussion were very successful this year in terms of quality, global coverage, and impressive audience. Michael Seadle pointed out that the audience seems to be very interested, asking relevant questions and interacting in a very involved manner.

Item 4: Proposal for 2016 Program

Suzanne reported that as decided in 2014 IFLA WLIC, the theme for 2016 program is online education in LIS. There will be three parts of the program: Workshop, Panel Discussion, and Contributed paper session. Program Committee consists of Suzanne Samir (chair), Susmita Chakraborty, Terry Weech, Mitsuhiro Oda, Professor Ghosh, and Lisa. We will collaborate with the Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning (CPDWL) and Information Technology (IT) sections. Kent University (with a lab consisting of 50 computers) will be the possible venue for the workshop. Michael proposed the name of Ohio State University and the University of Michigan as possible partners and places for an offsite SET Session. For workshop, pre-registration will be a must.
Clara reported about the proposal by Terry on a Satellite Meeting on quality/accreditation of LIS education. Susmita is to contact IFLA headquarters if a satellite proposal for 2016 may be placed for 2016; if not, then it is to be considered for 2017 program.

Item 5: SIG on LIS Education in Developing Countries

In absence of Felipe, Ismail Abdullahi, former Convenor and member of the LIS Education in Developing Countries SIG, reported about the 2015 SIG program and said that until their request for a separate independent section is settled, probably they are not going to set up any program for 2016.

Item 6: SET Program for 2017

A program committee for SET programs in WLIC 2017 was created with Susmita, Michael, Suzanne, and Primoz as members. The program will keep the IFLA Strategic Plan in mind.

Item 7: SET Action Plan

Chairs proposed that accreditation will be a key issue in this regard. Work on this sector for global uniformity and quality measures is necessary. Another activity will be revising the guidelines associated with this issue.

Michael reported that he and Seamus Ross had talked with the concerned people about the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIP) and American Library Association (ALA) guidelines and features which can be used and applied broadly globally.

Item 8: Budget for SET

Clara reported that only 150 Euro is allocated for SET administrative work which may kindly be given for 40th Anniversary book. It was confirmed.

Project funding should be discussed and asked for later.

Item 9: Other Business

Petra asked for reviewers for the LISStudent Paper Award. The following volunteered to review submissions: Najia Abdallaoui Maan, Susmita Chakraborty, Michael Seadle, Primoz Juznic, Karen Downing, Joan S. Weeks, Stacey Greenwell, Barbara Schultz-Jones, Jennifer Paustenbaugh, and Lawrence Abraham Gojeh.

Susmita asked the SC members to submit short biodata and picture for SET Bulletin.

Clara and Susmita proposed revisions for No.4 Capacity Building in IFLA Strategic/Action Plan.

Sarbana Schullz-Jones reported inclusive format for uploading matters in IFLA Library, already practiced by CPDWL.

Clara told that Rebecca Vargha, Katerina, and Clara – from 3 sections under Div. IV - are to revise point 4 in the IFLA Strategic plan by highlighting the hitherto not-covered points.

Meeting ended with thanks from the Chairs to everyone present.