Minutes – Final Draft (6/10)
IFLA, Milan, Italy
Social Science Libraries Standing Committee, Meeting 1
Saturday, 22 August 2009, SC-I (11.30 – 14.20)

Present: Steve Witt (Chair), Jacques Hellemans (Secretary/Treasurer), Liz Cooper, Ralf Depping, Maria Elena Dorta-Duque, Wilda Newman, Lynne Rudasill

1. Welcome and Election Results with introduction of Members
   a. Maria-Elena is our newest standing committee member
   b. Of existing members only PR Goswami RSVPd that he would not be able to attend

2. Election of New Officers
   a. Lynne Rudasill elected Chair
   b. Liz Cooper elected Secretary and will also serve as Treasurer
   c. Also note Wilda Newman will continue to serve as Information Coordinator

3. Convening of Meeting
   a. Apologies
   b. Adoption of Agenda

4. Review and Approval of Minutes of the Standing Committee Meetings in Quebec City, 2008 (Meetings of 09 and 15 August 2008)

5. Report from Division Meetings (S.Witt)
   a. Leadership Forum for new officers 12:15 Sunday MR6
   b. The section has a budget of EURO350/year
   c. Officers training meeting Monday afternoon
   d. Tuesday, 9:30 Pres-Elect Brainstorming Session; Liz Cooper will attend
   e. Issue: current registration requires pre-payment for hotel, too early (May), most need to pay afterwards...
   f. Wi-Fi available in Milan Conv. Center 10EURO/4 hrs. – can buy a card
   g. 2010 Conference move: no information received in time from Malaysia about whether it could host; knew in April Australia having trouble raising money, worked through July to raise money, but couldn’t; needed quick decision (no conference/lose money/ move conference); Gothenburg was on the shortlist for 2012; 2013 will be in Asia/Oceana; currently changing selection process from focus on financial need to focus on IFLA’s professional goals in selecting/planning conference; current conflict with Congrex (for profit), who runs the conferences, and IFLA and its professional goals.

   a. All funds used for satellite meetings and some translation.
   b. Receive funds in April and spend by December; if don’t use, lose; if aren’t going to spend, let Professional Committee know so can reallocate
   c. Usual expenses: printing, registration fees for speaker coming for 1 day; funding for colleagues in developing countries

7. Program for IFLA 2010, Gothenburg, Sweden 10 – 15 August (Theme???)
   a. Theme of conference is: OA to Knowledge and Promoting Sustainable Progress
   b. Ideas:
      i. NGO stuff
      ii. Policy
      iii. UN programs
      iv. FAO
      v. BLDS/ELDIS-UK
      vi. WIPO- new program
      vii. Partner with Ag Lib group
      viii. World Bank Library support/ Agric. In Africa?
Several topics in sustainable development: IP management; ICT dev, Knowledge of practices/cultural things; Economics

Regional areas

UK refugee

Information literacy and data literacy/stats: how to teach information literacy for social science knowledge; types of information each sub discipline creates and how communicate

1. ALA EBSS listserv – tools for IL standards (also ALA ANSS standards)
2. IASSIST people
3. ICPSR
4. Partner with: Info Lit section, gov section, knowledge management
5. Call for papers and suggest people to propose
6. Ralf, OA journal - business research with articles and data (only attachments)

OA data repositories

1. Research ethics in sharing
2. IP issues
3. We could produce something from this topic – e.g. OA data finding aid

d. Partnership with sections? In name only?
e. Continue time slots we have had? Two 90-minute sessions like in Quebec?
f. Note: cannot yet share papers on the IFLA website

8. Pre-conference Discussion taking into account venue change to Sweden 2010

a. We submitted satellite proposal for Australia (approved Dec 2008) as a follow-up on Toronto pre-conference, so need to move venue or cancel; decided to cancel and wait until Puerto Rico 2011 for pre-conf (perhaps hosted in Cuba?), especially as Satellite conference goal is to bring program to regional area, it may be more useful/bigger impact in Latin America/Caribbean. (Need to make contact & work with CLACSO – Academic Latin American Committee to plan).


a. Preconference in Havana; look to broader regional consortia to help develop programming that would be useful.
b. Will discuss 2011 conference program later.

10. Social Science Section annual review and strategic planning

a. Will discuss at Thursday, meeting #2.

11. Communications Report

a. Newsletter (W Newman)

b. Listserv (W Newman) - new things coming

c. Leaflet and Translation Status (L Cooper and J Hellemans)

b. Need to find place to print out leaflets for our program this week; usually 50-75 (or 100-150 in Quebec) attend program; will print 50 English, 20 Italian, 10 others.
d. Review of IFLANET SOCSCI Website (W Newman)
e. Use of online forums/teleconferencing to facilitate Section Committee communication and discussion during the year – Review and Discussion (http://ilabs.inquiry.uiuc.edu/ilab/ssls/ or http://www.IFLA.org other)
12. Milan, Italy Program (Witt and Rudasil)
13. Old Business
   a. Survey Monkey Quebec Session (Lynne and Jacques/French version)
   b. Satellite conference in Cuba, 2011 when IFLA meets in Puerto Rico suggested by Maria

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