

Standing Committee Meeting WLIC Wroclaw Poland 19 & 24 August 2017

Minutes

Saturday 19 August 2017 8-10 Multifunctional Hall (Session 009)
Thursday 24 August 2017 9.45 – 11.45 Conference Room 3 (Session 216)
Centennial Hall, Wroclaw, Poland

Members in Attendance Meeting I: Marian Morgan-Bindon, Jan Richards, Pirkko Lindberg, Torbjörn Nilsson Leikny H Indergaard, Jane Wee, Annie Dourlent, Lo Claesson, Libuse Nivnická, Montserrat Espuga, Anette Mjoberg, Jakob Guillos Laerkes, Corinne Hill, Raymond Santiago, Josephine Siegrist, Adriana Cybelle Ferrari, Ljiljana Sabljak.

Apologies: Hitomi Takeuchi, Jos Debeij, Sarah Dudek, Suzanne Payette, Paul Tovell, Tebogo Mzizi. **Observers:** Magdelena Swieilica, Poland; Mirela Gabryniewska, Poland: Louise Lahatte, New Zealand, Joanne Matthew, New Zealand; Jusiynizgr Kalzorouska, Poland; Krystyne Weloszuk, Poland; Ewa Diugosz, Poland, Christian Oppermann, Denmark; Maigovzata Wasik, Poland; Liliana Roinska, Poland; Ewa Pala, Poland; Ula Bujno, Poland; John Spears; Fatima Alshamsi, UAE; Cathy Ferencz, Australia; Antoine Torrens, France; Amal Al Shammari, Qatar; Musa Radebe, South Africa; Viktoiya Itgafonova; Latvia; Margaret Allen, Australia; Ismena Meic, Croatia; Lenka Prucková, Czech Republic.

Members in Attendance Meeting II Margaret Allen, Ismena Meic, Lenka Prucková, Leikny H Indergaard, Corinne Hill, Lo Claesson, Pirkko Lindberg, Montserrat Espuga, Jakob Guillos Laerkes, Jane Wee, Adriana Cybelle Ferrari, Anette Mjoberg, Annie Dourlent, Jan Richards, Raymond Santiago, Hitomi Takeuchi

Apologies: Jos Debeij, Qiang Xu, Spaska Tarandova, Susan Considine, Raymond Santiago. **Observers:** Asko Autio, Finland; Marc Rodenburg, Netherlands: Ulrike Krass, Germany; Carolynn Rankin, UK; Amal Alshammari, Qatar; Norlailawaty Ismaic, Malaysia; Norkhairul Nizam, Malaysia; Noor Jasmin Jumhar, Malaysia; Barbara Gubbin, USA; Alina Bogatkova, Russia; Libuse Nivnická, Czech Republic; Ljiljana Sabljak, Croatia.

Item	
1	Welcome and Apologies: Marian welcomed all Standing Committee members and observers and thanked them for making the trip to Wroclaw and for attending the meeting.
	Apologies are noted above.
2	Approval of the agenda: The Agenda was approved (Annie/Lo)
4	Annual Report: Marian provided an overview of the activities of the Section over the past 12
	months and thanked members for their commitment and contribution. A formal report will be

developed for the period September 2016 – August 2017 and submitted to IFLA by the eadline of 30 October 2017. This will also be sent to Standing Committee members and put on the web site.

ACTIONS:

- Develop Annual Report and submit it to IFLA Jan
- Distibute Report to PLS Standing Committe Members Anette
- Put Annual Report on web and promote it to Section members and wider public library community – Annie and Jane

4 Membership and Election:

Marian thanked outgoing members, Torbjörn Nilsson, Josephine Siegrist, Ljiljana Sabljak, Tebogo Mzizi, Sarah Dudek, Suzanne Payette, Paul Tovell, Libuse Nivnická. for their contribution to the Section.

On behalf of the Standing Committee Jan thanked Marian for her outstanding leadership and presented her with a card signed by members and a small gift.

The election was then held for the election of the PLS Officers:

Chairperson: Jan Richards was elected unanimously (Anette/Annie) **Secretary**: Anette Mjborg was elected unanimously (Jan/Montse)

Information Coordinators: Jane Wee and Annie Dourlent were appointed as information coordinatoers

Corresponding members: Jan spoke about the role of Corresponding members and IFLA's intent that they be drawn from regions where there was not strong representation on the Standing Committee. Jan proposed an expression of interest (EOI) process where identified regions were approached using professional associations and other networks with a request that they distribute the EOI. Applicants would be asked to provide information about themselves and would need to agree to being a conduit for information and active as corresponding members. All PLS SC members would vote for the final selection.

ACTION:

- Jan to develop EOI process
- Information Coordinators to promote the process
- Minutes of the minutes of the meeting held in Sydney: The Minutes of the Meeting held in Sydney were confirmed as a true and correct record (Leikny/Lo). There were no items arising that were not covered elsewhere in the agenda.
- 6 **Review of Action Plan 2016-2017:** Noted on Action Plan (attached)

7 WLIC ProgramWroclaw:

The program for the WLIC was discussed and volunteers to blog on selected sessions required. Details attached.

At the second meeting the Chair (Jan Richards) congratulated all members on the quality of their presentations and posters and their response to the reqest to be guest bloggers.

Anette suggested that the Standing Committee may consider proposing to do a poster for the WLIC in Kuala Lumpur and members agreed that this was an excellent suggestion. This will be included in the next Action Plan.

ACTION:

Include Poster presentation in the Action Plan 2017-2018

8 IFLA Global Vision - Public Library Standing Committee Response (attached)

Jan thanked members of the standing Committee for their responses to the Global Vision discussion. The results from the survey are included with the minutes and will form the basis of discussion when developing the Action Plan for the next 12-18 months. Marian, Jane and Jan also reported on the process in Athens.

At the second meeting Jan reported that the process will be further developed in 2018 with the President's Meeting and a second Visoning workshop scheduled for Barcelona in late March 2018.

9 Development of Action Plan 2017-2018 (attached)

The Standing Committee spent the secnd meeting developing the Action Plan 2017-2018. A draft copy is attached for consideration and comment by Standing Committee members.

10 **Promotional Material**

IFLA wishes to develop some consistent branding for Sections, especially for use in social media, and has developed a series of logos for consideration and comment with a request for quick feedback. IFLA would like to have this finalised by 30 September.

The suggested logos for PLS are below.



Public Libraries



Standing Committee Members unanimously agreed that these symbols were not a clear representation of public libraries and could, in fact, be anything. If a symbol were to be used it was agreed that the universal symbol for a Library was more appropriate and already easily recognised:





There was some discussion about whether it should be book or PC – a combination of both was thought preferable.

Ismena offered to create an alternative image:

While members agreed this was an improvement on earlier images it was still not desirable.



It was agreed that a preferred way forward that could apply across all IFLA Professional Units was to create a graphic using the Unit's initials – ie PLS.

ACTION: Jan to provide feedback to IFLA

ROUND TABLE

USA

Raymond: Many things have been happening in USA over the past 6 months. There has been an upswing re funding at a local level; advocacy has occurred on national scale and there have been challenges regarding federal funding cuts. Vendors have become involved in the political process, and ther is a recognition that libraries are an economic engine.

Denmark

Jakob reported that there are currently 3 major projects running: negotiations for a national library system; integrated Danish digital digital service; and negotiations re e-books.

Finland

Pirkko reported on the new *Library Act*. For the first time there are tasks defined in the law for public libraries including including collection standards and social inclusion. Has pushed libraries forward in the discussion re democracy and discussions. Finland is celebrating 100 years of independence this year and libraries involved in this celebration. The new Helsinki library is taking shape..

France

Annie reported that the French are also working on advocacy programs. French public libraries are concerned about copyright and extending opening hours. During the recent elections politicians who were campaigning spoke about extending hours relting in subsidies for this. Municipalities can apply for funding. French national association also looking at the Act.

Australia

Jan and Marian reported that *STEAM into Sydney* was very successful and that the resulting report has been widely used to support the UN 2030 Agenda and the sustainable development Goals.

Sweden

Lo encouraged members to visit the poster sessions and look at the poster which she and Anette have prepared. It focusses on the 5 main areas for public libraries in Sweden Singapore refurbishing 4 libraries at present. Integrating print and e in library catalogue

Norway

Leikny reported that there is an increasing focus on library as a meeting place, have events in

libraries. National Library provides free metadata for all Norwegian libraries

Czech Republic

Libuse reinforced how important IFLA Awards can be and told of how her library's gave them great advocacy and recognition in their country.

Spain

Montse spoke on a project to study the impact of libraries in society

Croatia

Lilijana encouraged members to attend a poster session on how to make a network of libraries and other institutions eg prisioners read for their children. Bibliotherapay workshops with these fathers FINLAND also has a similar project

Switzerland

Joe had the opportunity opp to take part in advocacy program for IFLA and the 2030 Agenda including meetings with politicians. The aim is to demonstrate the value of libraries. Renewing of copyright in Switzerland, push position of libraries in this discussion.

Germany

(From Sarah)

E-book-lending

Ruling that library lending of electronic books (e-books) may, under certain conditions, be treated in the same way as library lending of paper books (November 2016), the European Court of Justice has taken a sensible approach to reading in the digital age. EBLIDA called upon the Member States to apply the Court ruling to their legislation without delay. (see: http://www.eblida.org/news/cjeu-says-lending-books-includes-lending-e-books.html) In Germany a new ministerial draft bill of the law for copyright law was released lately, but unfortunately it does not contain anything with regard to e-book-lending for libraries.

VR

Patrons in Cologne Public Library can acquire a "Virtual reality license" in workshops. With the license they can use the new VR-station with a HTC Vive in the central library for three hours exploring virtual reality by themselves.

Other German libraries also start to step into the VR field, e. g. Brilon Public Library and Erlangen Public Library.

Film-Streaming

The Association of Public Libraries of Berlin has started the first video-on-demand-plattform only for libraries. Partner is the filmwerte GmbH (Babelsberg). It has ca. 500 films: fiction, documentaries, serials, childrens' films. They do not have the mainstream portfolio of films though, but smaller German and European productions.

MINT

Cologne Public Library has started with a MINT-Library in the childrens' library of the central library and several branch libraries. The MINT Libraries offer a library of things with different technical kits and MINT-books for kids from 3 to 10: for reading aloud and to read themselves. Literacy and MINT-literacy is connected: it is not possible to understand complex MINT-content if you have sufficient literacy skills. Therefore Cologne Public Library connects both in hands-on-workshops and with reading sessions with volunteers.

	Work 4.0: agile management methods in libraries "Work 4.0" has been a topic at many library congresses lately. The library Association BIB has made "Agile Work in Libraries" to their Topic of the year 2017/18.
11	Any other business : Please advise
12	Next Meeting: The next meeting of the IFLA Public Libraries Standing Committee will be held in The Haugue, Netherlands 21-22 March 2018
	Close



Public Libraries Standing Committee Action Plan 2016-2017

Public Libraries Section

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- 3. Build capacity for public libraries and public librarians internationally through an agile and engaged Section

Objectives What do you want to achieve? Use your list above	Project or activity What project or activity are you going to do?	Main tasks What are the specific things you need to do?	Responsibilities and timeline Who will do them and by when?	Communications How will you communicate your achievements? To whom? By when?	Measures of success How will you show the impact of your work?	Progress Report here the progress of your work, at least every month
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	Engage consultant to work with industry stakeholders to review and update				PLS have ben unsuccessful in their application for funding to update the standards through use of a consultant. Members of the SC expressed their extreme disappointment at this and supported the Chair in her application to the Professional Committee to re-consider this decision. It was also agreed that a funding bit be submitted in upcoming round.
Continue partnership with the Danish Agency for Culture's Public Library of the Year Award	Review process in partnership with Danish Agency for Culture Expand reach for application Determine format for 2016 awards	Jan, Leikny, Jakob, Corinne August 2017 ongoing	IFLA PLS website PLS blog and Facebook Page National library associations and other information providers - ongoing	Number of entries Number of participants in related program	The Danish Agency for Culture has decided not to continue their support of this initative. PLS will work with the sponsor, Systematic, to offer this as an IFLA Award from 2018 on, probably in partnership with IFLA Buildings and Equipment Section and with MetLib. Issues identified for consideration are: Award will build profile of PLS Demonstrates value of libraries and stimulates interest Include rennovations Recognition for a city's investment Workable buildings Use the exampoles as a way to

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3. Build capacity for public libraries and public librarians internationally through an agile and engaged Section	Ensure the delivery of strong and relevant conference programs	2017 Satellite Bergen	Leikny, Lo, Pirkko, Anette, Jos and Adrianna	IFLA PLS website PLS blog and Facebook Page National library associations and other information providers - ongoing	Number and geographical spread of participants	A successful satellite was held in Bergen prior to the WLIC in Wroclaw with 120 delegates. The organisers were complimented on the excellent and relevant program which was delivered in partnership with IFLAs Management and Marketing Section.
		WLIC 2017 Wroclaw PLS/Environmental Sustainability and Libraries SIG	Marian, Lo, Annie and Sarah			The session Libraries Committment to the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

	WLIC 2017 Wroclaw PLS/ Literacy and Reading Section	Montse and Libuse and Jakob			Literacy Matters: It takes a community to raise a reader - Building a nation of readers and creating a reading culture will be part of the program at Wroclaw.
	WLIC 2017 Wroclaw Division 1 Joint Session	Marian and Jan	-		Public Libraries Section will give a 5 minute presentation as part of the Division 1 Joint Session, Demonstrating value and/or assessing the impact of different types of libraries and information services: can you spot the difference?. This is the first time that such a session has been held.
	WLIC 2017 Wroclaw MetLib, Acquisition and Collection Development	Marian			Check me out! Human libraries and unique circulating collections, from art to technology petting zoos will be held at Wroclaw. Members Lo, Anette, Marian and Jan will present.
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	and other colleagues and identify opportunities				
Provide mid-term meetings which include a professional development opportunity for local and regional public library colleagues	Steam into Sydney 14-17 March 2017 Australia	Marian and Jan		2017 Mid-term Satellite programme delivered Professional Development opportunity delivered	Mid-term meeting in Sydney delivered. 9 members in attendance. Professional opportunity met with great interest by Australian and New Zealand library community. Available spaces 'sold out' in 4 hours with extensive waiting list. Sessions available on You Tube and
					Report produced by Australian Library and Information Association.
	19-23 March 2018 Netherlands (TBC)		-		It was proposed that the SC combined the Midterm meeting with participation in the National Public Library Congress Tuesday, March 20, 2018 in '2017's best Dutch Public Library' in the city of Den Helder. The theme is 'The building'. Meetings and Library tours will be arrange around this
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		WLIC 2018 KL Lo Claesson, Pirkko Lindberg and Hitomi Takeuchi	Marian, Lo, Annie and Sarah			The deadline for proposals is 15 March and we are confident of a good response.

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		Undertake a review IFLA/UNESCO Public Library Manifesto 1994 for relevance	Review Manifesto	Jan	Report back to Standing Committee at mid-term (March 2018) and annual	Broad consultation and input Development of	

	Deliver the annual Public Library of the Year Award in partnership with the sponsor (Systematic) and other IFLA Professional	Review process in partnership with Systematic Establish partnership with IFLA Buildings and Equipment and	Jakob, Leikny, Jan, Corinne August 2017 ongoing	(August 2018) meetings Consult with Public Library sector. Report to GB through PC IFLA PLS website PLS blog and Facebook Page National library associations and other information providers -	a relevant and useable document. Number of entries Number of participants in related program
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		WLIC 2018 Joint Session with e-lending working Group	Margaret	-		
		WLIC 2018 Joint Session with Literacy and Reading	TBC	-		

	WLIC 2018 Public Library of the Year	Jakob, Leikny, Jan, Corinne			
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Provide mid-term meetings which include a professional development	2018 Mid-term meeting 19 – 23 March (TBC)	Jos		2018 Mid-term Satellite programme delivered	

opportunity for local and regional public library colleagues	2019 Tampere (TBC)		-	Professional Development opportunity delivered
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Encourage active participation in the Section	Develop an e newsletter that can be distributed to Section members and beyond	Annie and Jane	ongoing Website, Social media	Members of the . public library community are engaged with IFLA PLS
	Establish mentor system for new SC members	Lo, Jakob	Email	Members of the SC feel confidence in working within IFLAs structure
	Ensure that Corresponding members are recruited to represent those geographic areas/language groups not	Jan	Established networks	SC is has diverse representation.

covered by the SC					
Participate in IFLA's Global Vision discussion	Be involved in formal and informal discussions around the Global Vison process	All SC members	Website, PLS blog and Facebook Page National library associations and other information providers	Members of the public library community are engaged in the Global Vision process.	