

# MINUTES

## SSL-SC Meetings #1 & #2, Columbus, Ohio, USA

Saturday August 13, 2016 - 09:45 - 12:15 - C112 Session 012

Wednesday August 17, 2016 14:15 - 15:45 - C216 Session 193a

**Convene Meeting** – Kayo Denda, Chair convened the meeting at 9:30

**Present were:**

Sylvia Piggott, Kayo Denda, Gene Hayworth, Fred J. Hay, Odile Dupont, Araceli Garcia Martin, Segametsi Molawa, Debra Cheney, Lynne M. Rudasill; Fabien Vandermarcq

**Regrets:**

Chiku Mnubi-Mchombu (missed first meeting because of weather which delayed flight); Maud Mundava; Magali Hurtrel Pizarro; Jennifer Ward

**Observers:**

Johanna Lahikainen; Sophie Vasseur; Robin Kear, Raissa Teodori (Division 1 Chair); Muneera Albuainain

**Introductions of new members:**

No new members but Observers were acknowledged and introduced

**SC members leaving this year or who have not participated during the year**

Dra. María Elena Dorta-Duque, Liudmila Kildyushevskaya, Frederica Paradisi, Britta Biedermann.

(NB: As we were reminded at one of the Officer's session, No-show and non-participating members of the SC should be asked to step down and make space for others)

**Adopt Agenda:**

The Agenda as presented by the Chair, was adopted by all,

**Review and approve minutes from Cape Town meetings – August 14, 2015**

The Minutes were approved as presented

**Review and approve minutes from Cape Town meetings – August 18, 2015**

The Minutes were approved as presented

**Report from Professional Committee, Officers Forum -** Kayo, Sylvia

*Meeting was chaired by Maria Carme Torras I Calvo, Chair of Professional Committee.*

President Donna Scheeder who reviewed the Trend Report main areas also presented the new Secretary General, Gerald Leitner. He presented his vision of IFLA as *we move forward*. *Highlights of his presentation include:*

*Development of a Global Vision; gather statistics on libraries and information centres of the world; work with IFLA Officers in Athens in the spring (second half of March 2017) to start to develop this vision; develop a Library map of the world working with the Library Associations to achieve this; document the contributions of libraries to the world economy; conduct a membership survey and have some results by Fall of 2017; discover where IFLA is in the competition for membership; develop a time table for unearthing all of this.*

#### Helen Mandel – Manager for Member Services

Provided the following areas on which the SC should focus:

- Create a dynamic team;

- How do we motivate members to be involved;

- Method of promoting engagement – how effective is our communication strategy;

- It is election year so think of who we want to invite for election to the SC team.

#### Maria Carme Torras I Calvo – Chair, Professional Committee(PC)

Provided a progress report on the work of the PC including:

- Communication tools being used and refined.

- Strategic Plans – 55 of the expected 58 received.

- Map Action Plans against Key Initiatives.

- Annual Report year ends August – these must be uploaded to the IFLA system.

- In the coming months the PC will concentrate on Web design; Action Plan template and Request for funding are now combined.

- The *IFLA Library* will include Satellite Conference Proceedings and Poster Sessions.

#### Division 1 Leadership Forum – Raissa Teodiri, Chair

- In IFLA Market - items of interest include Current and future of Media

- Communication with well-known Media expert.

- Deadlines to remember:

  - Submit as follows: Action Plan in October;

  - Annual Report in September or January (for half a year)

  - November for Funding with decision made at PC December meeting.

#### Financial Report - Sylvia

Funds are available and should be submitted as part of Project document submitted by November. Details of how and what will be funded are available in the Officers Corner

#### Columbus, SSL-SC Programme, Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2016

Need a few people to count attendees at programme (Sylvia, Eugene, Debra). The final count of attendees was 175.

### **SSL Section Cartonera Poster**

Thanks to Araceli Garcia-Martin and Magali Hurtrel-Pizarro, the Section *cartonera* poster, including Relindial, was installed and generated a lot of attention from viewers.

### **SIG RELINDIAL report/update – Odile, Fabien**

Odile and Fabien reported that the RELINDIAL satellite conference was a success with 39 attendees. They will host a panel presentation during the conference in addition to business meetings.

### **Conference in Poland, 2017 – (Discussion and Planning) - all**

This topic will be discussed during the Wednesday, August 17 Business Meeting

### **SC annual review and Strategic Plan - Kayo, All**

Not discussed as it was widely circulated before the meeting.

### **Project funds - all**

Should we submit a PC project request for funds?

To date we have not asked for project funds or propose a project to the PC. However, a possible project is described below. This was discussed via email during the year and it maps very well to the new Executive Director's Vision. It is also represented in our Action Plan for 2016:

### **Potential Project:**

A project aiming for an analysis of the scope of social science issues represented in the IFLA Library, the online repository of IFLA conference proceedings. (Kayo reported that she did a search across past conference papers and came up with over 70 that mention Social Science)

**Meeting continues Wednesday August 17, 2016 14:15 - 15:45**

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### **Observers**

Pat Wand, Winn Wesson, Celia Emmelhainz, Guiseppe Vitiello, Heike vom Orde, Johanna Lahikainen; Sophie Vasseur

### **Namibia Satellite Conference, 2015 Report - Chiku**

A very successful Social Science Library Section Satellite conference with over 125 attendees from 6 countries was held in Windhoek, Namibia in August 11-12, 2015. Several SSL-SC members attended and participated in the conference. Chiku would like to have the proceedings published in a special issue of *IFLA Journal*, despite the fact that the papers presented will be published in *IFLA Library*. Kayo and Chiku will meet with Steven Witt, IFLA Journal editor, to discuss the possibility. The special journal issue could include how the library science students worked in the conference and how young professionals worked alongside more experienced ones from Namibia and other countries in various steps in preparation for the conference and during the conference. A major outcome of the conference is that the students who participated got some international exposure and the collaborating groups were very pleased with the entire programme.

### **IFLA WLIC 2017 WROCLAW Conference – all**

At the end of the Business Meeting some participants remained to discuss possible SSL plans for the 2017 conference in Poland. They were: Kayo Dendra, Sylvia Piggott, Debra Cheney, Lynne Rudasill, Celia Emmelhainz, Johanna Lahikainen.

Celia Emmelhainz, a speaker at the Tuesday programme and an Anthropologist-Librarian working in California posed a possible topic (report included below):

Proposal for a one-day offsite workshop during the IFLA 2017 in Wrocław, Poland (19-25 August, 2017)

Sponsored by the Social Science Libraries Section of IFLA

Ideas:

- We discussed development of an ethnographic toolkit with examples of projects
- We also discussed and decided in favor of an offsite workshop, that would cover much of the same content in a more interactive format.
- If needed, we could shorten to long workshop/session, but ideal to have a whole day

Planning:

Involvement of Sylvia, Johanna, Celia, Lynne, Kayo, and Debora

Proposed day:

9:00 am            *Why we use ethnographic methods for library assessment and outreach*  
(30 min)

9:30 am            *Asking anthropological questions / thinking big (30 min presentation)*  
*Break out into groups and have librarians practice generating big-scale questions for sample public, national, school, or university library contexts*  
(30 mins)

10:45 am	Coffee break
11:00 am	Ethnographic methods: interviews (30 min) <i>Exercise on interviews and focus groups – have people develop interview questions based on earlier scenarios or their workplace (30 min)</i>
12:00 pm	Lunch break
1:00 pm	Ethnographic methods: participation and observation (30 min) <i>Quick exercise on observation, mapping, workplace ethnography (15 min)</i>
1:45 pm	Ethnographic methods: patron participation (30 mins) <i>Exercise on user mapping, photos, and research diaries (30 min)</i>
2:45 pm	Coffee break?
3:00 pm	Interpreting the data (30 min presentation) <i>Break out into groups and practice analyzing images or text for common themes (30 mins)</i>
4:00 pm	Turning ethnography back into community engagement (30 mins) <i>Final session rounds out the arc from asking questions to applying methods to interpreting results and back to using the ideas you've gained to engage with target communities</i>
4:30 pm	Adjourn

Next steps:

1. Edit the proposal where warranted.
2. Confirm, via email, with SC members that this topic is supported by them and get their input.
3. Contact Andrew Asher, an expert in this methodology, to explore possibility of his involvement and cost.
4. As encouraged by Helen Mandel and other officers, engage our SC members in the planning and execution of the programme.
5. Set out timeline by when each aspect of the programme must be completed and assign responsibility.
6. Create a communication plan for informing SC members as well as the IFLA community.
7. IF Asher is not available, identify an expert to deliver the opening 30 minute paper.
8. Contact IFLA to clarify the workshop submission process.

9. Lynne will contact her network to look for a co-sponsor/partner in Wroclaw, Poland,
10. Kayo will contact vendors who could serve as co-sponsors of the workshop.

NB – seems there is no need for a “Call for Papers” with the above format – perhaps there is a need to find experts who can lead some of the activities.

*Respectfully submitted by  
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