



**Endorsed Minutes of the eighty-second meeting of the Governing Board held on 13,14 and 15 December 2021 from 12:00 – 14:30 CET as a hybrid meeting; by teleconference call via Zoom, and in the Koopman Room (IFLA offices), Koninklijke Bibliotheek, Prins Willem-Alexanderhof 5, The Hague, Netherlands.**

**Present:**

**Members:** Barbara Lison (President, Chair) Antonia Arahova (President-elect); Perry Moree (Treasurer); Adjoa Boateng; Kirsten Boelt; Jonathan Hernández Pérez; Yasuyo Inoue; Ayub Khan; Nthabiseng Kotsokoane; Halo Locher; Mandla Ntombela.

**Secretary of the GB:** Gerald Leitner, IFLA Secretary General, non-member

**Staff:** Helen Mandl, Deputy Secretary General & Director Member Services; Stephen Wyber, Director Policy & Advocacy; Esther Doria, Project Coordination Assistant (minutes).

**1. General Business**

**1.1 Welcome and apologies**

The President opened the meeting and welcomed all. Six GB members, the SG and IFLA staff were present at IFLA HQ office in the Hague, and five GB members joined the meeting online via Zoom. There were no apologies.

**1.2. Adoption of the agenda**

The agenda was adopted.

**1.3. Statement of interests**

There were no statements of interests.

**1.4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting**

**1.4.1 Draft minutes including closed sessions of the Governing Board meeting on 2 November 2021**

It was requested that in future the minutes will be provided as a pdf. document.

GB members discussed item 7.1 “Creation of Finance and Risk Committee, paragraph 5” regarding the composition of the F&RC. It was agreed to add the following lines to the end of this paragraph: “ The election was immediately challenged. Aware of the lack of time, the Governing Board therefore decided to hold further discussion and a new election on how to fill the remaining places on the F&RC at its next meeting”

With this addition the minutes were accepted.

**Resolution:** The Governing Board accepted the minutes as a true and accurate record of the eighty-first meeting of the Governing Board including closed sessions held on Tuesday 2 November 2021 from 12:15 – 13:45 CET via teleconference call.

**1.4.2 Draft minutes of the Governing Board meeting on 2 November 2021**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board accepted the minutes as a true and accurate record of the eighty-first meeting of the Governing Board held on 2 November 2021 from 12:15 – 13:45 CET via teleconference call.

## **1.5. Resolutions agreed since last meeting, to be read into the Minutes**

Since its meeting on 2 November, the Governing Board has made the following decisions:

### **Draft workplans for Advisory Committees, Professional Council and Regional Council**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the proposed areas of work for the Advisory Committees, suggesting that the Advisory Committee on Freedom of Access to Information and Freedom of Expression could also continue its work on artificial intelligence.

### **Expert advisors: Advisory Committees**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board approved, in writing, the recommendations of the Chairs of the Advisory Committees on Copyright and other Legal Matters, and on Standards, for Expert Advisors.

### **Draft School Libraries Manifesto**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board approved in writing, the draft of the revised School Library Manifesto, to be sent on to UNESCO to seek comments and approval.

### **IFLA External Representation**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board approved in writing, the renewal of the mandate of Daryl Green as IFLA's representative to the Memory of the World Register Sub-Committee for a three-year term, to November 2024

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the Resolutions agreed since last meeting.

## **2. Governance**

### **2.1 Finance and Risk Committee**

#### **Resolution:**

- The Governing Board appointed Antonia Arahova, Kirsten Boelt and Mandla Ntombela as the internal members of the Finance & Risk Committee.
- The Governing Board agreed on the call for an external member of the Committee and agreed on the procedure for this.

### **2.2 Voting and Decision Making**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the paper.

### **2.3 Role of Parliamentarian**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the paper.

### **2.4 Honours and Awards**

**Resolution:**

- The Governing Board noted the proposed timeline for IFLA's Honours and Awards. The Governing Board decided on the composition of the award panel for the IFLA Honours and Awards. The panel will consist of Barbara Lison; Adjoa Boateng; Jonathan Hernández Pérez; Yasuyo Inoue and Nthabiseng Kotsokoane. The Secretary General will act as Secretary to this group.

## 2.5 IFLA Handbook

**Resolution:** The Governing Board:

- 1) Agreed that GB members should share suggestions on a GoogleDoc version of the Handbook by 10 January 2022.
- 2) Agreed that a task force consisting of Barbara Lison, Antonia Arahova, Adjoa Boateng and Nthabiseng Kotsokoane would continue work on the IFLA Handbook with the Secretary General and the IFLA Parliamentarian, with a view to sharing a draft with the rest of the GB by 24 January.
- 3) Agreed that GB Members would subsequently have time to look through the Handbook, and indicate their agreement with it, section by section
- 4) Noted those aspects on which further work will be required.

## 3. Planning and Reporting

The President started this item by thanking the Secretary General, IFLA management and staff for the great work they are doing.

### 3.1 Strategic Direction 1 Strengthen the global voice of libraries

#### 3.1.1 KI 1.1 Show the power of libraries in the SDGs

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

#### 3.1.2 KI 1.2 Build a strong presence internationally

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

#### 3.1.3 KI 1.3 Identify key legal challenges and advocate for action

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

#### 3.1.4 KI 1.4 Shape public opinion

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

### 3.2 Strategic Direction 2 Inspire and enhance professional practice

#### 3.2.1 KI 2.1 Key resources that inspire the profession

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

#### 3.2.2 KI 2.2 High quality campaigns to engage libraries

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

### **3.2.3 KI 2.3 Develop standards to foster best professional practice**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

### **3.2.4 KI 2.4 Provide tools to support the work of libraries**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

## **3.3 Strategic Direction 3 Connect and empower the field**

### **3.3.1 KI 3.1 Opportunities for face-to-face networking and learning**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

### **3.3.2 KI 3.2 Support virtual networking and connections**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

### **3.3.3 KI 3.3 Empower the field at national and regional levels**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

### **3.3.4 KI 3.4 Targeted learning and professional development**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

## **3.4 Strategic Direction 4 Optimise the organisation**

### **3.4.1 KI 4.1 Foster long-term stability of organisation**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

### **3.4.2 KI 4.2 Effectively mobilise human resources**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

### **3.4.3 KI 4.3 Increase, diversify and engage our membership**

#### **3.4.3.1 KI 4.3 Appendices**

The Governing Board resolved to admit the new members for the period 1 July – 15 November 2021 and exclude those members who have not paid their fees by 31 December 2021.

1. The Governing Board noted the report.
2. The Governing Board resolved to admit the new members for the period 1 July – 15 November 2021.
3. The Governing Board resolved to exclude those members who have not paid their fees by 31 December 2021.

4. The Governing Board resolved that a new plan should be developed to retain current members, and attract new members, tailored according to data.

#### **3.4.4 KI 4.4 Increase visibility through communications**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

#### **3.5 Statement on Open Access**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board agreed to postpone the decision on the IFLA Statement on Open Access to allow for more discussion and preparation for next steps to be taken when the contract with the Gruyter ends in 2023.

#### **3.6 Statement on Open Library Data**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board endorsed the Statement on Open Library Data.

#### **3.7 Statement on Cybersecurity**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board postponed the endorsement of the Statement on Cybersecurity to the next meeting.

#### **3.8 Planning 2021 Dashboard**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the Planning 2021 Dashboard.

#### **3.9 Professional Council report**

##### **3.9.1 Professional Council report**

**Resolution:**

- The Governing Board noted the Professional Council report.
- The Governing Board endorsed the closure of the National Organizations and International Relations Special Interest Group

##### **3.9.2 Professional Council workplan**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board approved the Professional Council workplan.

#### **3.10 Regional Council**

##### **3.10.1 Regional Council report**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

##### **3.10.2 Regional Council workplan**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board approved the Regional Council workplan.

### **3.11 Advisory Committee Reports**

#### **3.11.1 FAIFE**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board:

- Noted the progress of the work of the Advisory Committee

#### **3.11.2 CLM**

**Resolution: The Governing Board:**

- Noted the progress of the work of the Advisory Committee

#### **3.11.3 ACH**

**Resolution: The Governing Board:**

- Noted the progress of the work of the Advisory Committee

#### **3.11.4 ACS**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board:

- Noted the progress of the work of the Advisory Committee

### **3.12 Membership Development**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report.

The Governing Board agreed that a full review of IFLA membership be postponed until 2023 or 2024.

### **3.13 Update on Knowledge Rights 21 Programme**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the paper.

### **3.14 IFLA Planning 2022**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board approved the work programme for 2022

#### **3.14.1 IFLA Academy Progress**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report on the Exploratory phase.

#### **3.14.2 Trend Report**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the Trend Report update.

## **4. WLIC**

### **4.1 WLIC 2021 Final Report**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report on the WLIC 2021.

### **4.2 WLIC 2022 Progress Report**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board noted the report on the WLIC 2022.

The Governing Board approved the IFLA WLIC 2022 Registration Fees as proposed by the IFLA Holding Directors.

### **4.3 WLIC 2024 Considerations**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board agreed to delay the decision on issuing a call for expressions of interest to host WLIC 2024 until May 2022.

### **4.4 WLIC Corporate Supporters programme**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board discussed the revised and updated Corporate Partner programme.

The Governing Board approved the benefits for different levels of the programme.

The Governing Board confirmed the IFLA Principles of Fairness to Corporate Partners.

The Governing Board approved the launch of the programme in 2022.

## **5. Finances**

### **5.1 Estimations 2021 overview**

### **5.2 Estimations 2021 analysis**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board accepted the report of the Treasurer on the 2021 third quarter financial result and year end forecast.

### **5.3 Proposed budget 2022 overview**

### **5.4 Proposed budget 2022 analysis**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board received the report of the Treasurer on the proposed budget for 2022. The Governing Board endorsed the proposed budget for 2022.

## **6. Other issues**

### **6.1 IFLA External Representation**

**Resolution:** The Governing Board approved the renewal of Ulrike Junger's term as IFLA representative to the ISBN International Board.

The Governing Board noted the current status of IFLA representation on external committees.

The Governing Board approved that Perry Moree join the IFLA/International Publishers Association (IPA) Steering Group

## **6.2 Any other business**

### **In camera: Executive Session**

An in-camera session of the Governing Board followed.

### **Next Governing Board meeting dates:**

#### **Proposed 2022 dates:**

**15 February 12:00 – 15:00 CET - by Zoom**

**5 - 8 April 2022 – The Hague, Netherlands**

**24 July 2022 – Dublin, Ireland**

**29 July 2022 – Dublin, Ireland**