IFLA Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section
Mid-year meeting in Rome, March 17-18, 2005
Minutes

Present SC members: Leikny Haga Indergaard, Lars Aagaard, Verena Tibljas, Letizia Tarantello, Viviane Ezratty, Annie Everall, Ivanka Stricevic, Ingrid Bon

1. Welcome
   Ivanka welcomed everybody to the meeting

2. Comments on the Minutes of SC meetings in Buenos Aires
   There were no comments

3. Chair's report
   Ivanka gave the overview of Committee activities for the period after the Buenos Aires Conference. She has begun making links with library staff in South Africa. She will get their help and support for IFLA 2007 in Durban.

4. Member status, incoming and outgoing SC members and election issues
   - New Standing Committee Member
     List has been circulated of new members, overview of first and second terms of SC members. We have 8 new SC members
   - Elections for Officers
     We will have to elect new officers this year. Ivanka will send information in June.
   - Presentations by Committee Members
     It was agreed that we would organise an extra meeting at Oslo Conference for the new Committee Members to present themselves.
   - Membership - 4 years ago it was 125, now it is 117. This is not alarming, every section is decreasing somewhat, especially in this time of year. Keep a watching brief on this.

5. Financial report
   Financial situation is fine. Some explanation by Ivanka on new rules on administrative money which should be spent until the end of year to claim for a new year. Overview of costs we will make this year because of translations of several guidelines. Report is accepted.

6. Info-coordinator report and plans for future
a. **SCL News**

Lai-Lin did a great job in producing the Newsletter in such a high standard. We should think about a new Info-coordinator as Lai Lin is finishing her term in Oslo.

b. **Section's leaflet (updates):** Ivanka will update it and new Info-coordinator will be invited to design a new one after the Oslo conference.

Lars will print copies, 100 for Stavanger and 100 for Oslo.

7. **Stavanger Conference**

All information is on Iflanet. The conference is on August 10-11, but on the evening of August 9 there will be a cultural evening. That explains the different dates in some materials.

Conference fee is 700 NOC (lunch included). Moderators don’t pay the conference fee. €100 has to be paid to IFLA for using the Ifla logo; so €50 each: public libraries and SC Child. Nic has to transfer the money to HQ. Leikny explains the programme and tells that library visit is only to Stavanger public library.

What about a publication of the papers of pre-conference?

Some discussion follows. We will try to get the papers from all speakers. Leikny needs help for organizing a publication by her organisation. The idea of publishing papers as a SCL Special Issue appears.

Letizia will take care that the Stavanger leaflet is handed out on Bologna Children's Book Fair.

For air travel to Stavanger: please note that Gardermoen is the right airport!!!

8. **Oslo conference**

Two regular SC meetings – the elections take place on first.

**Programme:**

*Children and young adults services, a voyage in past, present and future*

1. "Ennie meenie miney mow: Overview of Norwegian public libraries and some strategies for the future" (Leikny)
2. "Best practices of children’s library services around the world" (Ingrid)
3. "50th Anniversary of the Children's Section: History of the Section and plans for the future; a celebrating party" (Ivanka)

Deadline full texts is **MAY 1**.

Viviane will interview Genevieve Patte and Lars will send info about Aase Bredsdorff to get more inputs on section's history.

**ALL SC MEMBERS** will send 1 or more best practices to Ingrid for the presentation and to be put on the web.

Leikny and Ingrid will have each 25 min for presentation and 5 for questions. Ivanka will take 20 minutes and then 30-40 minutes for party, distributing leaflet etc.

Viviane will organise eating and drinking with Leikny. €200 will be transferred to Leikny’s office for the catering.

The anniversary leaflet is being discussed. category "Position" will be marked by C or S instead of "Chair/Secretary" to get a space for appeal (and big ?) on more information about the SC officers in the past.

The summary of present activities should be fulfilled. And stressing that the starting point of the SC is supporting the rights of the child across the world.

The last years we have been working on developing strategies and guidelines, now it is time to implement them. Deadline for info for anniversary leaflet is **April 1**, so it can be finished before April 15. Translations will be organized by Viviane (French), Viviana
Quinones (Spanish), Ute Hachman (German), Verena (English version). Printing will be done by both Lars and Verena (French, Russian, German and Spanish – 100 copies, English 300 copies). Country reports can be printed in A4 by Leikny, as an exhibition – send them to Leikny well before. Take as many interesting things, materials to be exposed in the room. Take your own pins and strips with you!!.
Guidelines YA German, Ivanka and Verena take copies
Guidelines Ch and YA, Spanish, Ivanka asks Gloria (50)
Guidelines Ch, French Viviane (50)
Guidelines YA and Ch Russian, 100 copies each one by Olga
Guidelines Ch English, Ivanka takes copies (100)
Norwegian translations will be done by Leikny, and she will organize rap music to open the party. The access to the room for musicians should be checked by Leikny.
Arabic translation of Ch guidelines should be checked with IFLA (Lars has a person who could do it).

9. Projects – status and future plans (require finances and don't require it)
   a. Overview of translations
      About Amharic and Spanish translations Ivanka is in touch with Sophie.
      French translation for Iflanet should be organized by Viviane/Nic, the Norwegian by Leikny.
   b. Background text for the web (Children's). Last version has to be sent to Annie to get the good entry on the web.
   c. "Best practice" on the web, following the background text of the Guidelines
      Two new entries should be realized. One for download form and one for the filled forms.
      Headline should be something like: Best practices around the world.
      Changes on the form –new item: prepared by and put on by.
      Last changes will be made by Ivanka and then she sends the final form to Ingrid.
   d. Partnership
      • Ibby
         Exchanging links. We will put an Ibby text on IFLAnet in the same time when Ibby reconstructs its page and put our Section's link.
         Any ideas are welcome. A representative on IBBY conference is a starting point.
         Ibby has several awards. Olga is the connecting link between Ibby and IFLA SC Child, she is responsible for a short paper about Ibby.
      • Newspaper in Education
         Issue for Oslo agenda: who will be contact person from our Section?
      • Unicef
         Marian Koren put up a draft contract, Ifla offers some and gets back on national and international levels. We need more information from Marian (in May possibly).
      • ICDL
         Anne Weeks has a scholarship to study International children’s library in Munich. She is correspondent for the SC. The contract draft is being discussed.
         Partnership is between IFLAand ICDL, not IFLA sc child – should be corrected.
         First 2 bullets are a bit worrying; who puts the limit on working together? Which is the subcommittee? We want partnerships evaluation and reviewing every 2
years. We will wait for reply by Sjoerd and discuss the official statement by IFLA HQ in Oslo.

e. Statement on children and internet
Lars is link for Section Reading (Gwynneth Evans). Lars made an update about libraries, reading, and internet from 1 page. It is a position statement of IFLA Section Child and Reading section. Lars wrote it and he will send it to SC members within two weeks. Everybody gets 2 weeks for comments. Please send comments to everybody- use: “reply all”. Should be checked with IFLA if there is a special procedure for such statement
Annie and Lars prepare a final text on May 1 and send the final text to SC Child and Reading section on May 2.

f. Possible future projects
What ideas do we have for publications, research or reviews? Send them until May 15 because CB must be informed until June 1.
Some idea: develop a toolkit so that everybody can investigate their own country, make a strategic plan for your own country, develop advocacy papers?
Research project could be: combine children’s rights and guidelines: see what the status quo is in your own country? By that you have a worldwide report.
Workshops about the guidelines: promotional tours, use of PowerPoint.
Work title: Every child has a right to library services.

May 15 is deadline for proposals!
In the proposal you must have: name, goal, short description, money needed and what for, term of project (1,2, 3 years). € 2-3000 is possible asked for.

10. ALMA – proposals for nomination
Olga monitors the project, contacts between Sweden and SC are only by Chair. Form for nominations is on the web. Deadline: May 15.
We discuss Annie’s proposal: Summer Reading Challenge.
For everybody: put your proposal in ½-1 A4 text and send it to Ivanka before April 15.
If more then 2 proposals SC must vote (deadline May 1), Ivanka sends to ALMA on May 15.
The person whose proposal is accepted is responsible for all data needed in the Form and accompanying papers and materials. Ivanka should just add the letter of nomination and send all materials to ALMA jury.

Divisions theme; dynamic engines for the technological society.
Dynamic children’s libraries; networking, toolkits, Guidelines.
Iran has contacted Ivanka, they would like to do a presentation about book research. Could fit in the programme.

12. Durbin conference (2007) plans for time sharing with other sections within the Division III
There will be a Division day in Durban (every section “gives” 1 hour to put together).
As we have two hours for Section's programme, another can be put in a joint session with Multicultural Section, themes like: children immigrating, losing roots, etc.

13. Highlights from CB meeting, London, March 3-4
On IFLA net: please look regularly at WHAT IS NEW. Information Literacy document and Public Lending Right Statement are both worthwhile.
Ivanka and Ingrid will do the Review of the Section when we get revised evaluation form from IFLA.

14. Other business
We (SC child) nominated Marian Koren for the IFLA Medal
Cilip has a statement about safety for children. Annie will send it to SC.

*Prepared by Ingrid Bon*