



**IFLA Acquisitions and Collection Development
Section**

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MINUTES

**Standing Committee meetings held at the
2006 World Library and Information Congress: 72nd
IFLA General Conference and Council in Seoul**

The Standing Committee met twice during the Annual IFLA Conference in Seoul. The first meeting was held on Saturday, August 19 from 11:30-14:20 and the second on Saturday, August 25 from 11:00-13:50. These minutes cover both meetings.

IFLA Acquisition and Collection Development Section-Standing Committee

1: Saturday, 19th August, 11:30-14:20

1. Attendance and general introductions

Standing Committee members attending were:

Corrado Di Tillio, Sook Hyuen Lee, Natalia Litvinova, Pascal Sanz, Lynn Sipe, Sun Tan, Pentti Vattulainen, Nadia Zilper

Standing Committee members not attending were: (*= prior notice given)

Nancy Davenport*, Pilar Dominguez Sánchez, Ole Gunnar Evensen*, Doina Farkas*, Jeffrey Gardner, Rosa Garcia Blanco*, Rolf Griebel, Catherine Omont*, Anna Popova, Silke Trojahn*, Kazuhiro Uchumi* (Corresponding Member)

Observers attending were:

Beth Fisher (U.S.), Suzanne D. Gyeszly (Qatar), Franck Hurnville (France), Li-Pong Yu (China), Xi Wen Liu (China), Nor Hayati Hayha (Malaysia), David Harlink (U.K), Sara Gube-Josefsson (Sweden), Glenda Lammers (U.S.), Helen Ladrón de Guevara (Mexico), name illegible (Norway)

1.1 Permission of Observers to attend

Permission for Observers to attend the meeting of the Standing Committee was unanimously granted. Observers were welcomed by Pentti Vattulainen, Chair of the Committee and were encouraged to participate in the discussions.

2. Apologies for absences

The Chair passed on to the Committee apologies from those members that had communicated their inability to attend either this first meeting or that would not be able to come to Seoul at all. The excused attendees are noted with an asterisk in the list of members not attending, above.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved as proposed.

4. Approval of Minutes of the Mid-Term Meeting of the Standing Committee, held in Paris, 17-18 March 2006.

The Minutes of the Paris Mid-Term meeting were approved as presented in the Section's *Newsletter* no. 33, July 2006.

5. Report from the Division V Coordinating Board Meeting of Friday, 18 August 2006.

Lynn Sipe reported on highlights of the Coordinating Board meeting held the day prior to the Standing Committee's first meeting of the conference. Edward Swanson, Chair of Division V, reported that the Division had received €325 from IFLA HQ, which Section's can use to pay for one day registration for one of their speakers, if needed. The Acquisition & Collection Development Section has a budget of €610. Section budgets are dependent on the number of members; the A&CD Section has 148 members, just short of the next plateau of 150 members, which would provide a budget of €825. [Six Sections in IFLA have less than 50 members; none of these are in Division V.]

Emphasis was placed on as many committee members as possible attending the special Professional Committee meeting on 20 August, 12:45-1:45. The purpose of the meeting is to receive input and for members of the Professional Committee to answer questions about proposed changes to IFLA's professional structure. The Professional Committee will also receive written responses until November.

Officers were reminded that if a Standing Committee member misses two consecutive annual meetings without providing prior notice then they may be dropped from the Committee's membership. The policy started with the Oslo meeting. The Chair should warn any such committee members in jeopardy. Final notification of removal from the committee should be made in consultation with the Division Chair, with the committee chair informing the offending members.

A broad range of short topics were addressed in the meeting. The December meeting of the Governing Board was to discuss IFLA's Code of Ethics. In response to a question it was noted that one individual may present two papers at the same IFLA conference, provided that they are on different topics and presented in different Sections. Standing Committees were asked to recommend one paper from their Open Programmes for publication in *IFLA Journal*. The site of the 2009 Annual Conference was to be announced, from among Lisbon, Florence and Milan, at the Closing Session. IFLA intends to step up its advocacy efforts in the future. A proposal for revamping of IFLANet is under consideration. Brief reports were presented from each of the Section's represented in Division V: *Newspapers* had held a mid-term meeting, accompanied by a program, in Salt Lake City. Their next mid-term meeting/program is to be in Santiago de Chile. *Rare Books & Manuscripts* had held a very successful pre-conference before Seoul in Hangzhou, China. *Reference and Information Services* had held a mid-term meeting in Paris, with the next one possibly scheduled for Columbia University in New York City. Their Digital Reference Guidelines has been translated in to Swedish. *Serial Publications and Other Continuing Resources* reported they are working on a couple of project and that they had held no mid-term meeting. *Document Delivery and Resource Sharing* had held a mid-term meeting in Rome and was planning their next one for Lisbon. In addition, their IDLS conference has being held in Talinn, Estinoia and the subsequent one was likely to be in Singapore. *Government Information and Official Publications* had held a very successful four day seminar in Addis Ababa on the topic of "Strategic Management of Government Information". *Acquisition and Collection Development* reported its activites, which are noted elsewhere in these Minutes.

The second meeting of the Division V Coordinating Board was to be held on Friday, 24 August after the second meeting of the Standing Committee.

7. Section's Activities in Seoul

7.1 Report on Satellite Meeting

Pentti provided a summary report on the satellite meeting in Seoul, co-sponsored by the Section, at the National Library for Children and Youth. The theme of the meeting was "Resource Sharing, Reference and Collection Development in a Digital Age: a Practical Approach". The meeting was very well organized by Sook Hyeun Lee and her colleagues, with generous support provided by the National Library of Korea and an outstanding group of volunteers. There were 58 registrants, from 16 countries, including 27 from outside Korea. Several members of the Standing Committee were present. The over-all quality of the papers presented was good. The consensus appears to be that the meeting was extremely useful, with a good sense of camaraderie developing among the attendees.

Those who were not able to attend the satellite meeting were encouraged to consult the text of the papers presented on the satellite meeting's website. In addition, Sook Hyuen Lee offered to send a list, with addresses, of the registrants to all of those who attended.

7.2 Special Meeting of the IFLA Program Committee

Members of the Standing Committee were encouraged to attend the special meeting of the IFLA Programme Committee on Sunday, 20 August, at 12:45. Further information on this meeting is noted in these Minutes in Section 5, above.

7.3 Section Dinner

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the Section. Thus, the traditional Section dinner takes on special significance. It was announced that Sook Hyuen Lee has kindly arranged for Kyobo Bookstore to generously sponsor for the dinner, which will be held at Korea House and is to be followed by a cultural performance. Attendees should meet at the IFLA registration desk on Sunday, 20 August, at 16:00.

7.4 Open Programme

The Section's Open Programme, jointly sponsored with the Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section, is to be held in two sessions on Thursday, 24 August, 8:30-10:30 and 10:45-12:45. The planning committee for this joint programme consisted of Pentti Vattulainen, and Ann Okerson and Hildegaard Schäffler from the Serials Section. The over-all theme is "Evolving Business Models for Hybrid Collections". The first session, presenting the Section's interests, is to include presentations from Korea, Finland and the U.S. on differing aspects of e-books. The second section is to include four papers on differing aspects of journal publishing.

Since the Serials Section was to chair our portion of the Programme, Pentti asked for a volunteer from the Standing Committee to chair the Serials Section portion. Pascal Sanz volunteered for this responsibility.

8. The Section's Current Activities

8.1 Section Brochure

Copies of the latest proposed revision of the Section's brochure were distributed for review and discussion by Lynn Sipe. After discussion there was consensus that the Section's interests would likely be better served with the brochure in PDF (possibly XML) format, accessible on the Section's portion of IFLANet. The existing layout would require some rearrangement to work in such a context.

8.2 Gift Instructions

There has been no progress on this desired set of guidelines since the Paris Mid-Term meeting. Pentti has received not from Kay Cassell (New York Public Library) as yet. She was to send a draft based on her presentation in Berlin. The need for a set of IFLA-originated gift guidelines was affirmed, as the existing ALA guidelines are seen as to Americentric. Once completed the guidelines will need to be translated in to other IFLA languages. Pentti, Pascal and Helen Ladrón de Guevara volunteered to serve as a working group on the guidelines.

8.3 Online Manual on Electronic Resources

There was brief discussion on the status of the Section's proposed Online Manual on Electronic Resources. Little progress was noted since the Paris Mid-Term meeting. It was suggested that additional chapters were needed dealing with aggregators and e-books, in addition to the draft chapters already distributed. The possibility of including metadata tabs in the document was raised as was the possibility of cooperating with the Serials Section on the e-journals portion. It was acknowledged that there was a need for someone to assume over-all editorial guidance of the project. Further discussion of the topic was to be taken up at the second meeting of the Standing Committee.

8.4 Proceedings of the Bologna Workshop

Pentti noted that the Proceedings of the Bologna Workshop in 2005 were available both from the conference's web site (<http://www.aib.it/aib/commiss/cnur/ifla-boe.htm3>), with a link from the Section's portion of IFLANet as well, and in published form, in Italian and English translations.

8.5 The Newsletter

Lynn Sipe, as the Section's Information Officer, again encouraged contributions for the *Newsletter*, by way of conference reports, announcements, book reviews, essays, etc. as identifying sufficient material for each issue is a monumental task. Submissions may be in any of the official IFLA languages.

9. Programmes for Future Conferences

9.1 Durban

Considerable discussion took place, with nothing definitively resolved, as to possible topics for the Section's Open Programme in Durban. The following suggestions were raised during the discussion: finding information about Africa; free scholarly resources regarding Africa (including HIV/AIDS); possibility of

cooperating with the Preservation Committee; the importance of agricultural issues in Africa; networking or cooperation on a specific subject or between different countries.

As time was running out it was agreed to continue the discussion at the second meeting of the Standing Committee. In the meantime Pentti would attempt to get in touch with the Chair of IFLA's Africa Section.

The meeting was adjourned at 14:22.

IFLA Acquisition and Collection Development Section-Standing Committee 2; Friday, 25th August, 11:00-13:50

1. Attendance and general introductions

Standing Committee members attending were:

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Observers attending were:

Glenda Lammers (U.S.), Joanna Ball (U.K.), Franck Hurinville (France), Helen Ladrón de Guevara (Mexico)

2. Conference Review

The Standing Committee was asked by the Chair for their reactions to the Oslo Conference. There was a mix of positive and negative feedback. Pentti noted that the Tuesday edition of *IFLA Express* had an article on our satellite meeting and that Thursday's edition included a group photo from the meeting. Pentti agreed to forward photos from the satellite meeting once he received them from Sook Hyuen.

The Open Programme appears to have been well received. Attendance ranged between 85 and 100, depending on when the count was taken. Members of the Standing Committee chose the presentation from the ebrary representative from the Open Programme for recommendation to *IFLA Journal*.

Corrado reported that there were no visitors during his hour in the IFLA booth.

The lack of written reports from IFLA HQ was noted as a serious liability in reviewing the official business of the organization at the Closing Session. In response to IFLA's *Strategic Plan* support was made for reinforcing the notion of multilingualism as reflected in the *Plan*. Any additional comments on IFLA's *Strategic Plan* should be sent to Pentti by November so that he might forward them to IFLA HQ.

3. Reports/Announcements

Lynn reported on the Information Coordinators meeting, which had been held on Tuesday, 20 August. The meeting was largely concerned with a preview of forthcoming changes to IFLANet.

Redesign of IFLANet has been contracted out to an external supplier. There will be a phased implementation of the revised IFLANet, as key components of database functionality are incorporated. Each page will have metadata and will be compatible with OMS and Open Archives software. RSS syndication functionality will also be available. Wikis and blogs will be supported in the new release as well. The IFLA Governing Board, at its meeting on Saturday, 26 August, was to receive a detailed report on the redesign, along with a formal proposal and an accompanying budget request.

4. Remaining Business from the First Meeting

4.1 Online Manual on Electronic Resources

It was noted, as the Manual is currently envisioned, that there is a lack of contributors for certain desirable topics and that some of the existing commitments to write a chapter have not been fulfilled.

Pentti reported that he had discussed the status of the Manual with IFLA's Professional Coordinator. IFLA has doubts about our proposed format, in terms of something as extensive as a "manual". The current scope is seen as too big. IFLA advises preparation of a brief project plan, identifying the need for such a "publication" (virtual publications require vetting by IFLA as well as print), the intended audience, the proposed contents, and costs, if any.

During discussion in the Standing Committee the value of sets of guidelines to libraries in developing countries was emphasized. As a result of the discussion it was agreed that the Manual would be downsized in to a "tool kit", which would not only be briefer, but more practical as well as easier to update. Lynn volunteered to coordinate the project and Nadia volunteered to assist. They will look at other IFLA tool kits for ideas. The importance of having the completed tool kit available in other IFLA languages was emphasized.

4.2 Durban Conference

The Standing Committee continued discussion about the Durban Open Programme. Since the first meeting of the Standing Committee Pentti had been in touch with various members of the Africa Section. Their collective advice was that our Open Programme should not be Afro-centric but should instead focus on broad professional concerns to acquisitions and collection development. This, of course, was opposite to the initial discussions in the Standing Committee. Accordingly, an alternative approach to the Durban Open Programme was adopted by the Standing Committee. The working thematic title for the programme is "Collection Development Models-New Initiatives". Various international initiatives currently underway were seen as possible paper topics, including a new NISO Draft Standard. Pentti was to check with IFLA on the regulations regarding a call for papers. Glenda Lammers volunteered to work with Pentti and Lynn as a planning group for the Open Programme. Pentti said he would discuss possible paper topics with the Africa Section and it was noted that Pascal has an African colleague that he might contact.

An invitation to co-sponsor (in name only), with the African Section, a Pre-Conference on "African Libraries for the Future" was approved by the Standing Committee.

4.3 Quebec Conference

No discussion took place about the Quebec Conference Open Programme. However, it was noted that the same Sections that co-sponsored the Seoul satellite meeting (Document Delivery & Reference Services) were interested in again participating with Acquisition & Collection Development in a satellite meeting connected with the Quebec conference. Pentti reported that space has been reserved for a satellite meeting. However, greater coordination among the three co-sponsoring Sections is needed if the format is to be successful. A March 2007 deadline approaches for final commitments to be made about a satellite meeting. Pascal noted that, in light of a meeting of French speakers preceding the Quebec conference that it would definitely be preferable if the satellite meeting were to be held immediately following the conference. Corrado and Pascal joined Pentti in volunteering to serve as the Section's planning group for the proposed satellite meeting.

4.4 Mid-Term Meeting

The Standing Committee reaffirmed its interest in continuing to hold Mid-Term meetings. Various possible venues were discussed, among them Guadalajara (Mexico), and somewhere in Spain or England. Spain appeared to be the first choice and Pentti was to be in touch with Standing Committee member Rosa Garcia Blanco about possible arrangements.

5. Any Other Business

The Chair reminded the group that the Durban conference would also bring the next round of elections for Section Officers. Both the Chair and the Secretary/Information Officer have served the maximum four years allowable in their respective positions. In addition, the terms of two members of the Standing Committee will be ending, three members will be continuing for an additional two years and six members of the committee are eligible to continue if nominated. At least nine other members of the committee are closer to the beginning of their terms and will be continuing.

6. Adjournment

There being no other business the meeting of the Standing Committee adjourned at 13:20.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Sipe, Secretary & Information Officer