Government Libraries Section

MINUTES

Standing Committee Meeting 2
Saturday, August 28, 2004, 11:30 – 14:20
Sheraton Hotel, Buenos Aires

In attendance:

Jerry Mansfield (chair)
Christine Wellem (secretary)
Robert Klaverstijn (treasurer)
Lena Olsson
Nancy Bolt
Dario D’Alessandro
Lamine Camara

Observers / guests:
Patricio Aranda

1. Jerry Mansfield opens the meeting and welcomes those present.
2. 278 Delegates attended the open session on Tuesday, August 24. It is decided that 4 papers is the maximum during an open session. The paper ‘Collaborative information literacy by Government’ (Anne Kauhanen-Simanainen) is regarded as most innovative and of interest to a broader audience. It will be recommended for publication in IFLA Journal.
3. Nancy Bolt gives account of the meeting of the Guidelines for Government Libraries Committee. Draft outlines of Nancy Bolt and Dario D’Alessandro were reviewed. The Committee agreed on a draft timeline for the project. 15 Content areas for the Guidelines have preliminary agreement. Draft guidelines will be presented for discussion during the next IFLA Conference (Oslo, 2005).
4. 2005 is an election year. The IFLA election process is briefly discussed.
5. ‘How Government libraries and information services support the strategies of their home organisations in practice’ is the theme of the pre-conference in Stockholm (August 10 – 12, 2005. The standing committee agrees (with some adjustments and remarks) on the preliminary program. These will be communicated by the Chair to the local organisers (Maija).
6. The main theme of the 71st World Library and Information Congress (Oslo 2005) is “A voyage of discovery”. A brainstorm on our own theme results until further notice in: Destination unknown? Piloting innovation in Government Libraries. It is decided to publish a call for papers on the Government Libraries Section’s website.

7. Closing of the meeting.

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