

# Division Leadership Forum: Division I Minutes from meeting

# Wrocław, Poland- Sunday 20 August 2017. 08:30-10:00

# **Attendance**

Chair, Division I – Raissa Teodori

Secretary, Division I – Vicki McDonald

IFLA Governing Board - Knud Schulz

Academic & Research Libraries – Mimi Calter, Incoming Chair

Art Libraries – Sandra Brooke, Outgoing Chair

Art Libraries - Lucile Trunel, Incoming Chair

Art Libraries – Isabel Ayres, Incoming Secretary

Art Libraries – Ekaterina Igoshina – Incoming Information Co-ordinator

Government Libraries - Anoja Fernando - Chair

Government Libraries - Pavel Kiselev - Secretary

Health & Biosciences Libraries - Anoja Fernando - Chair

Health & Biosciences Libraries - Pavel Kiselev - Secretary

Law Libraries – Sonia Poulin – Continuing Chair

Law Libraries – Anne Burnett – Incoming Secretary

Libraries Serving Persons with Print Disabilities - Kirsi Ylänne – Incoming Chair

Libraries Serving Persons with Print Disabilities - Yasmine Mohamed Youssef – Incoming Secretary

Libraries Serving Persons with Print Disabilities - Ingvild Aanensen – Incoming Information Coordinator

Libraries Serving Persons with Print Disabilities – Kristina Passad

Metropolitan Libraries – Corrado Di Tillio – Continuina Chair

National Libraries – Genevieve Clavel-Merrin – Continuing Secretary

Public Libraries - Jan Richard - Incoming Chair

Public Libraries – Anette Miborg – Incoming Secretary

School Libraries – Joanne Plante – Incoming Chair

School Libraries – Lesley Farmer – Outgoing Chair

School Libraries - Valérie Glass - Incoming Secretary

Science & Technology Libraries - Patrick Danowski - Incoming Chair

Science & Technology Libraries - Annelie Janred - Incoming Secretary

Science & Technology Libraries - Tara Radniecki – Incoming Information Co-ordinator

Social Sciences Libraries – Lynne Rudasill – Incoming Chair

Social Sciences Libraries – Kayo Denda – Outgoing Chair

Knowledge Management for Global Health SIG – Shene Godbolt –

Knowledge Management for Global Health SIG - Anne Brie

National Organisation & International Relations – Katharina Beberweil – Continuing Convenor

Religions: Libraries and Dialogue (RELINDIAL) - Donatus E. Dusterhaus - Incoming Convenor

Religions: Libraries and Dialogue (RELINDIAL) – Odile Dupont – Outgoing Convenor

Religions: Libraries and Dialogue (RELINDIAL) – Fabien Vandermarq – Communications

Officer

#### 1. Welcome and introductions

Raissa welcomed Division I incoming and outgoing officers, as well as SIG Conveners and Information Coordinators. All attendees introduced themselves.

# 2. Approval of the agenda and of the 2016 Division I meeting

The agenda was confirmed.

The minutes of the 2016 meeting in Columbus were confirmed.

# 3. Division I units, brief overview: activities, projects, communication strategies, partnerships

Raissa provided an overview of the Division for the last year. She indicated that almost all sections have developed Action Plans and Reports. Sections were responsive during the year, and a number of interesting project proposals were submitted by Sections. Also, only two Section haven't yet submitted Global Vision Reports.

Raissa sought feedback from Officers on their work, on IFLA's procedures and on tools made available, especially for communication.

The following comments were made:

- Many officers found Basecamp a useful tool. Raissa informed that new officers will receive notification of their Basecamp account.
- Call for Proposals / Papers request a new template that provides a structure for what information is required to assist in the completion of the form and how to organize it.
- Feedback that the Global Vision focussed on libraries, rather than a vision for IFLA. The questions were too broad.
- SIGs contributed to Section Reports, rather than a separate Global Vision report.
- Sections need more time to plan so it would be useful to have earlier information on location of future WLICs.

Raissa invited Sections to make thoughts on publishing with IFLA, including articles, papers or reports based on their projects and research activities. She mentioned the fact the IFLA journal would very much welcome proposal. Comment were made that IFLA should consider IFLA Journal be an open access journal with Creative Commons

Sections and SIGs were reminded that project proposals will be discussed at the December 2017 meeting of the Professional Committee. Units should discuss their proposals with the Division I Chair (Vicki McDonald), so that she can advocate for their projects. Proposals are to be included in Action Plans, and the closing date for project proposals is October 2017. https://www.ifla.org/officers-corner/professional-projects

#### 4. News from, and items for, the Professional Committee

There was general discussion on a range of matters, with reference to the discussion at the Professional Committee meeting of 18 August 2017 and at the Professional Officers Forum of 19 August

- IFLA Key Initiatives will continue for the next two years. There will be a process to renew the Key Initiatives. A draft will be distributed, and Sections will be invited to give comment in 2018. The Key Initiatives document will be finalised in 2019.
- Assessment of Sections being a Dynamic Unit. This is an ongoing and essential process, to ensure IFLA units are healthy and effective in terms of quality and impact of the work, communication strategies, engagement of membership and leadership, and more.
- Branding of Sections. Each IFLA Unit will have a logo to create branding. Proposed logos have been sent to each Section and comments are being given, also through a specific project that has been created on Basecamp. Raissa recommended to send feedback as soon as possible because IFLA would like to finalise the process by end September or soon after. Helen Mandl at IFLA HQ is the reference person for this.
- Some Sections already have logos that they would like to continue using. However, there is a need for consistency in branding. Raissa proposed that current logos could be modified and adapted to the new design criteria proposed by IFLA. However, if Sections are not satisfied with this they can discuss with HQ and the PC.
- A discussion started at the PC regarding the IFLA policy on publications. Sections are
  encouraged to make proposals, especially for the IFLA Journal whose editorial
  committee will collaborate with the PC to facilitate the production of good quality
  paper to be published by Sections.
- The IFLA Library Map of the World to be launched on 21 August, and the Membership Survey, to be finalized by the end of the year, were mentioned.

# 5. Division I governance

Feedback was requested regarding the recent Standing Committee elections and Officers elections. Were there problems in recruiting new SC members?

- A number of sections were concerned with the delays in the election process for 2017. It was difficult for officers to make travel plans.
- A number of sections raised concerns with achieving the minimum number of members for Standing Committee.

#### 6. Division I: Plans for 2017-2018

- We will continue to use Basecamp for communication
- Reminder that the Division I session is on Wednesday 23 August, 13:45-15:45
- In 2017, a number of Divisions are having sessions. In 2018, there will be a maximum of two Division sessions this is due to limited programming time. The Professional Committee will make the decision on which Division Sessions will be held. Divisions will be encouraged to collaborate.
- Suggested topics for a possible Division theme:

- Sustainability
- o Information freedom, intellectual freedom, ethics

# 7. Election of Division Secretary, 2017-2019

Raissa indicated that incoming officers of Division I sections are eligible for election to Secretary.

Corrado di Tillio (ongoing Chair of Metropolitan Libraries) was elected Secretary of Division I.

### 8. Division I Session at WLIC 2017

A reminder that the session will be on Wednesday.

# 9. Other important sessions at WLIC 2017 for Section

Officers were reminded of key sessions that they should attending during WLIC 2017. Information coordinators are also encouraged to attend these sessions.

#### 10. Other business

Odile Dupont provided an overview of the Cartonera project of RELINDIAL (SIG): to improved social inclusion for people from different beliefs, religions, ages. IFLA funding was provided for the project. Bookmarks and flyers in French and English were prepared.

# 11. Close of meeting

The meeting was closed and Division I chairmanship was handed over to the new Chair, Vicki Mc Donald

# **Actions:**

- Raissa to find out if Information Coordinators have access to Basecamp
- Raissa to discuss in the PC meeting the request of IFLA Journal to be transformed in a
  full open access journal with a Creative Commons CC-BY or CC-BY-SA because IFLA
  is committed to the freedom of access to information (IFLA strategic plan). A
  decision about a change has to done by PC or GB.
- Each Section to confirm their logo by end of September. If Sections would like to change their logo, please contact Helen Mandl.
- Raissa / Vicki to raise with PC the 2017 election process and that Sections were frustrated with the delays.
- Vicki to check with IFLA HQ regarding rules for co-opting and adding Section members