




**International Federation of Library Associations & Institutions (IFLA)  
Regional Standing Committee for Asia and Oceania (RSCAO)  
2012 Midterm Meeting, Auckland, NZ, 1-4 February 2012**

**Minutes** <Mid-Meeting Minutes 0731>

**National Library of New Zealand  
8 Parnell St.**

Activities	File
<p><b>1. Welcome</b></p> <p>1.1. Welcome from Ms Anahera Morehu (8:30 am at Waipapa Marae, University of Auckland )</p> <p>1.2. Welcome from Geraldine Howell, National Library of New Zealand (10:00 am at National Library, 8 Parnell St.)</p>	
<p><b>2. Agenda</b></p> <p>2.1. <b>Welcome from Chair, introductions and apologies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Michael Robinson sat in on behalf of Dan Dorner as Chair of the meeting.</li> <li>● Chair welcomed Christine Mackenzie of IFLA Governing Board, New Member, Tina and Sonny; Observer, David Aymonin, Library Director, University of New Caledonia.</li> <li>● Chair welcomed SC Members: Secretary – Chihfeng P. Lin (Taiwan); Members – Diljit Singh (Malaysia), Jayshree Mamtora (Australia), Mark Perkins (New Caledonia), Sonny Vikash Chandra (Fiji), Winston Roberts (New Zealand), Tina T. Yang (Hong Kong); Advisors – Rashidah Begum bt. Fazal Mohamed (Malaysia), Shawky Salem (Egypt); Corresponding Member - S. B. Ghosh (India); and from the IFLA Regional Office for Asia and Oceania – Tan Keat Fong and Petrina Ang (Singapore).</li> <li>● Chair conveyed apologies from the following members who were unable to attend the meeting: Dan Dorner, Mihyang Park, Roza Berdigaliyeva, Jaesun Lee, Takashi Nagatsuka, Kieu Thuy Nga, Mya Oo, Mohd Sharif Mohd Saad and Yan Xiangdon.</li> </ul> <p>2.2. <b>Consideration and adoption of agenda</b> Overview of the Agenda, organizing the sequence 1-8 for February 1<sup>st</sup> and term 9-14 for February 2<sup>nd</sup>.</p> <p>2.3. <b>Program for IFLA RSCAO Auckland Seminar</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Winston Roberts briefed activities of the next three days.</li> <li>● Winston and colleagues provided practical information about Auckland, including transportation, lunch and dinner arrangement, tour and visits around town, detailed in the attached file.</li> </ul>	<div style="text-align: right;">                       C:\Documents and Settings\shu\桌面\NZ                 </div>

- Program for Auckland Seminar is attached file.

#### 2.4. Video-conferencing Arrangements and Timing

There was no video conferencing in this meeting.

#### 2.5 IFLA Headquarters update

Christine Mackenzie (Member of Governing Board) updated RSCAO on IFLA's programmes and initiatives, including Building Strong Library Associations (BSLA) Online learning platform, BSLA workshops, and BSLA website.

IFLA's five Key Initiatives for the years 2011–2012 of the Strategic Plan 2010–2015 are: 1) Digital Content Programme; 2) Outreach Programme for Advocacy and Advancement of the Profession: International Librarianship Leadership Development Programme; 3) Cultural Heritage; 4) Disaster Reconstruction Programme: Disaster Prevention and Recovery Advisory Committee; 5) Multilingualism Programme: such as creating a multilingual IFLA website available in the seven IFLA languages.


Responses and interactions among SC Members and Christine Mackenzie included:




- 1) Pacific Islands encounter advocacy problems on copyright  
Need help from IFLA  
(Mark Perkins)
- 2) Laws are available, but the implications are hard to follow.  
IFLA should work on integrating the different laws of different countries regarding how to deposit digitized materials (S. B. Ghosh)
- 3) Is there book or published documents regarding digital preservations?  
Michael Robinson: Should be able to check and find out  
(Sonny Vikash Chandra, Michael Robinson)
- If HQ could set some restrictions on access in addition to printing materials  
(Shawky Salem)
- 4) International Librarian Leadership Program: encouraging the young members, details will be declared later in Helsinki WLIC, so as other BSLA updates (Christine Mackenzie)
- 5) BSLA Trainers selection criteria and training process, some suggested via library association apply, committee discuss and select;  
(S. B. Ghosh, Michael Robinson, Shawky Salem)
- 6) Regional Office collects regional activities 2012-2015,  
Cultural preservation and natural disaster recoveries and reconstruction; IFLA Conservation and Preservation Section – identify a strategic plan (Christine Mackenzie)

- 7) Blueshield, UNESCO – Museum Archive – are working on recovery of libraries in Egypt while Library in Alexandria is still unsettled because



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<p>the entire country is still in suffering stage. (Shawky Salem)</p> <p>8) IFLA should announce policy on recovery and need to work on action plan. Fund should be available for such situation, experts of preservation and conservation can join as well. (Michael Robinson, Shawky Salem, S.B. Ghosh)</p> <p>9) Country like New Zealand has been trained for earthquake in Christchurch and found out disaster prevention is more important, (Winston Roberts, Michael Robinson)</p> <p>10) Every country has to have second arm to do the fun-raising, New Zealand is capable of, but some other countries may not be able to do so. IFLA should play a role of leveraging support countries that can not do by themselves. IFLA has to understand disaster countries have different levels and each country's disaster recovery not only recover libraries. (Winston Roberts, Mark Perkins)</p> <p>11) "Library statement on Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement negotiations" (as attached) which IFLA Headquarters has just issued. As noted in the statement: "The TPPA is a multilateral trade agreement between Brunei Darussalam, Chile, Vietnam, Malaysia, the United States, Australia, New Zealand, Peru and Singapore, covering all aspects of commercial relations between the countries. The TPPA includes an extensive intellectual property chapter." (Christine Mackenzie, Dan Doner))</p> <p>12) Membership – 2011, IFLA lost 74 members and we need to be reminded regularly (Jayshree Mamtora)</p>	 <p>C:\Documents and Settings\shu\桌面\ifla-</p>
<p>New Zealand National Library briefing</p> <p>Staff come to front to Michael who offered thanks for the briefing.</p> <p>Congratulations on the programs and activities undergoing in the NZNL (Advisor – Rashidah Begum bt. Fazal Mohamed)</p> <p>New Zealand Libraries are facing three challenges.</p> <p>Challenge 1 – create a library that is not a library but a place to create and to determine who we are.</p> <p>Challenge 2 – librarians – possibilities,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Get librarians ready for the new environment by asking “Who/what are you looking for?”.</li> <li>● Strong in research on start and end-up with “What we want is to develop people.”</li> <li>● Library development, technology to support each step Quick respond code, QR code, quick response to the questions,</li> </ul> <p>Challenge 3 – individual technological trouble and networking.</p> <p>Feedbacks:</p>	

<p>205 school libraries, still struggle for resources, professional qualified teacher librarians.</p> <p>We are working on new schools, schools with strong commitment, creating models for the future.</p> <p>Success brings Success (Mark Perkins)</p>	
<p><b>3. Confirmation of Minutes</b></p> <p>3.1. Confirmation of Minutes of the RSCAO Meetings, IFLA WLIC, San Juan, Puerto Rico, August 2011.</p> <p>Secretary submitted the newest version of SC Meeting Minutes IFLA 2011 WLIC San Juan, Puerto Rico (as attached file) for SC Members for confirmation</p>	 C:\Documents and Settings\shu\桌面\NZ
<p><b>4. Business Arising from Minutes</b></p>	
<p><b>5. Financial Reports</b></p> <p>5.1 Administrative Budget</p> <p>5.2 Meeting Budget</p> <p>Keat Fong did the Progress Report to RSCAO                  Balance due now is EURO7,8884.44                  Regional Standing Committee For Asia and Oceania (RSCAO) –                  Statement of Accounts for the Period from 1 Jul 2011 to 31 Dec 2011</p> <p>Feedback:</p> <p>1) If our budget stable? Is it possible to cut down or increase? (Winston Robers)                  KF: It is stable.</p> <p>2) IFLA Membership is declining, there is a little bit of concern. (Diljit Singh)</p> <p>3) What is base of budget provision. (Michael Robinson)</p> <p>Keat Fong: Same as every region.                  Administrative Fee is depending on membership of the region.</p>	 C:\Documents and Settings\shu\桌面\NZ
<p><b>6. IFLA RSCAO Program Reports 2010-2011</b></p> <p>6.1. Report from the Chair, RSCAO</p> <p>Keat Fong Tan reported on behalf of Chair Dan Dorner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Election of the Chair and Secretary, Dan Dorner and Chihfeng Lin were re-elected Premila is appointed Information Coordinator and Web Editor RSCAO Membership is stable</li> <li>● Mid-Term Meeting was selected to be host by Auckland Open Session was smoothly going.</li> </ul>	 C:\Documents and Settings\shu\桌面\NZ

6.2. Report from the IFLA Asia – Oceania Regional Office

- 1) RSCAO has 310 members from 34 countries, for precise data will with check HQ data and revise.
- 2) Supporting Collecting information from SC Members if they have activities happening in their countries, HQ will cumulate and announce.
- 3) In what way can IFLA participate when they have event (Tina Yang)
- 4) Need hard copy from IFLA for promotion. (Diljit Singh)

Keat Fong: please request when needed.

- 5) we are expecting President of IFLA to visit Hong Kong (Michael Robinson)
- 6) Gorman: talk to Jennefer Nicholson for support  
Keat Fong: Ingorbor is the person in HQ to contact
- 7) Stuart Hamilton: request to discuss in the meeting about NGO Meeting in Singapore in March. Further information will be provided (Michael Robinson)
- 8) Chair Dan Dorner will send messages to SC Members  
Connection more local organizations and IFLA (Michael Robinson)
- 9) RSCAO Newsletter: high quality (Sonny Vikash Chandra):  
A web version can be promoted (Mark: Perkins)
- 10) Add a Strategic Plan Column (Michael Robinson)

Keat Fong thanks members who contribute the articles or information

- 11) ALP project selection process (Mark Perkins)  
Keat Fong: open to all members
- 12) Gary Gorman: transparency insurance  
Keat Fong: will report to Fiona

Singapore 2013

- 13) Shall we use the 1,500 to help the registration fee? What is the application procedure? Will it be open to developing countries? What is the criteria? What kind of training needed? (Gary Gorman, Michael Robinson)

Keat Fong: will discuss with Ministry

It is not easy for Keat Fong to talk to administration. (Winston Roberts)  
Suggest Keat Fong working with administration regarding Hotel, per/diem as well. Please continue working on it and will then suggest by RSCAO. (Winston Roberts, Gary Gorman)

Keat Fong: Singapore government does it as whole, not just for IFLA

Will see how it goes and working on it. Two-share a room to spare money to share more people to come. Students are also in consideration.

We shall take the opportunity since Singapore is closer to Pacific Islands (Winston Roberts)

Registration fee 500 is too high (Shawky Salem)

Keat Fong: will continue working on negotiating (Michael Robinson)

Keat Fong: grants enough for accommodation, Ministry will help with other items. Also request sponsorship from MRT, will report on August

Should treat it as subsidy, as people still need pay themselves (Diljit Singh)

RSCAO should have opportunity for input or at least be made aware of any IFLA events being organised in the region (referring to Asia Salon discussion).(Michael Robinson)

TKF to seek further information from Stuart Hamilton at IFLA about the proposed Asia Salon (role of IREX etc.)

**6.3. Report from the Information Coordinator**

Premila Gamage is actively providing information via e-mail (Michael Robinson)

**6.4. Report from IFLA ALP**

It is stated in RSCAO Newsletter, three countries: Lebanon, Vietnam and India involved in the program. (Michael Robinson)

No report. Information was sought by RSCAO on the timing of the call for applications for the next round of ALP funding. (Michael Robinson)

**6.5. Progress report on IFLA "Building Strong Library Associations Project (BSLA)"**

- ALP News: Nepal NCL Project
- More budget goes to other agencies
- Community Library Association is weak due to lack of communication and budget
- Conducted one in November with emphasis on organizing, next will be in March (actually in May) 2012 will work on partnership, the third will be December, advocacy...
- Continue project in Lebanon.
- Many participating countries will report in Germany
- WLIC in Helsinki will have more report to share


The Program is calling for applications

We shall apply to Fiona directly (Jasree Mamtara, Winston Roberts)


Shall request when is application date line. (Michael Robinson)

**6.6. Sub-region Report:**

<p>We had good communication – preparation of proposal, put together of ALP draft, will make up the gap. Quite a useful mechanism, subgroup works, whether it is a written form. This year will be more stable to submit report. (Winston Roberts, Jasree Mamtora, Mark Perkins, Sonny Vikash Chandra)</p> <p>Asia &amp; Ocean covers half of the Globe, need subcommittee (Winston Roberts)</p> <p>Sub-Region Report should be a report or activities? Are there templates for ALP proposal writing? (Shawky Salem, Winston Roberts, Michael Robinson)</p> <p>Local knowledge is valuable and should look into activities to carry out in the region. (Winston Roberts, Michael Robinson)</p> <p>Is sub-region a formal or informal unit? If it is formal, should need budgets. (S.B. Ghosh)</p> <p>We should keep it informal to avoid bureaucracy (Winston Roberts)</p> <p>We call it “Working Group” for information gathering and distribution, (Gary Gorman)</p> <p>We will look at the strategic plan, local circumstance and energy but no need of bureaucracy. (Michael Robinson)</p> <p>“Report of Subcommittee” is good that encourage working out on something (Shawky Salem)</p> <p>Subcommittee is bringing regional committee closer to local association. (Mark Perkins)</p> <p><b>6.5.1. BSLA Call for Applications, 2012</b></p> <p><b>6.5.2. BSLA Project in Nepal, 2011-2012</b></p> <p><b>6.6. Strategic Plan</b></p>	
<p><b>7. New Business</b></p> <p><b>7.1. Review of RSCAO Strategic Plan for 2012-2013</b> Form up a committee to take close look and come back with recommendations. (Gery Gorman)</p> <p>We shall look what has been done and should be done but not done, What is the shape of IFLA HQ overall strategic plan? Give the whole of IFLA and give it to RSCAO. Shall we request HQ to provide Broad Guidelines. Shall we stay as usual or work towards a new one? We can look at the HQ’s key Initiatives and work out on RSCAO’s Strategic Plan. (Michael Robinson, Winston Roberts, Diljit Singh, Mark Perkins, Gary Gorman)</p>	

<p>We should update and look quickly at what has been done and follow Gary Gorman's suggestion to form committee (Michael Robinson)</p> <p><b>7.2. RSCAO Strategic Plan for 2012-2013 Committee</b> Committee member: Winston Roberts, Mark Perkins, Gary Gorman</p> <p>Chair Dan Dorner will communicate with Committee Member and work on the revision.</p> <p><b>7.3. Proposals and funding for new ALP projects in Asia – Oceania, 2012-2013</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Sub-region Committee will take responsibility to identify associations which are valid, take it into strategic plan and make it become a process continually</li> <li>● Each SC Member will list out their knowledge of Library Associations</li> </ul> <p><b>7.4. Funding support for Sections from IFLA HQ</b></p> <p><b>7.5. Planning for RSCAO and related activities, IFLA WLIC, Helsinki, August 2012 (See attached file)</b></p> <p><b>7.5. Requests for financial support from RSCAO members</b></p> <p><b>7.6 Outcome of SCCR23 at WIPO, provided by Stuart Hamilton, Director of Policy and Advocacy of IFLA HQ</b></p>	 <p>C:\Documents and Settings\shu\桌面\RSC</p>
<p><b>8. Corresponding Members and Advisors</b></p> <p>8.1 Role of Corresponding Members and Advisors</p> <p>8.2 Number of Corresponding Members and Advisors on RSCAO - Budget considerations</p> <p>8.3 Consideration of request from Dr Hasna Askhita from Syria to become a Corresponding member of RSCAO.</p>	
<p><b>9. Review of Abstract Submissions</b></p> <p>9.1 Review of Abstract Submissions for Asia-Oceania Section session, IFLA WLIC, Helsinki, August 2012</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We will Select 4 and 2 reserve out of 24</li> <li>● Keynote: Chair Dan Dorner will announce when decision is made.</li> <li>● Form up a committee to look closely and come with suggestions Diljit Singh, Jasree Mamtara, S. B. Ghosh, and Mark Perkins are Committee Members to Select 4 and 2 reserve out of 24 and report on 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.</li> <li>● Selection Criteria include factors of quality, from viewpoints of academic criteria, one country one paper.</li> <li>● Keynote speech: How innovative services for literacy help a multicultural community become stronger - a view from New Zealand BILL MACNAUGHT (National Library of New Zealand, Wellington, New Zealand)</li> </ul> <p><b>9.2. Outcome of Selection</b></p>	



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <a href="#"><u>Shelter-based community libraries: in search of alternative livelihoods for pavement dwellers in Dhaka City</u></a> M.D. NASIRUDDIN (Department of Information Science &amp; Library Management, University of Rajshahi, Rajshahi, Bangladesh)</li> <li>● <a href="#"><u>One who has been long in confinement: inspiring the prisoners' to read</u></a> SUSMITA CHAKRABORTY (Bengal Engineering &amp; Science University, Shibpur, India)</li> <li>● <a href="#"><u>A critical role of Academic Advisory Service in a part of the learning commons facility</u></a> TAKASHI NAGATSUKA and TOYOHIRO HASEGAWA (Tsurumi University Library, Yokohama, Japan)</li> <li>● <a href="#"><u>Local Studies Centers: Transforming history, culture and heritage in the Philippines</u></a> MARTIN JULIUS V. PEREZ and MARIEL R. TEMPLANZA (School of Library and Information Studies, University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines)</li> </ul>	
<p><b>10. Financial support for RSCAO attendance at IFLA WLIC, Singapore, 17-23 August 2013.</b></p> <p>Regional Office will continue working and report.</p>	
<p><b>11. Planning date and venue of IFLA RSCAO Mid-Term Meeting, 2013</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chinese New Year falls on 2013 February 10<sup>th</sup> (Sunday)</li> <li>● Chair Dan Dorner and Regional Officers will e-Mail and call for applications (application form as attached)</li> </ul>	 C:\Documents and Settings\shu\桌面\RSC
<p><b>12. RSCAO Conference Programme and Theme, IFLA WLIC, Singapore, 17-23 August 2013.</b></p> <p>12.1 Theme for Asia and Oceania Session  12.2 Subcommittee for Call for Papers  12.3 Timeline for Call for Papers</p> <p>Chair Dan Dorner will select committee members to work on the matter and announce.</p>	
<p><b>13. Planning a Joint satellite conference with LIS Education in Developing Countries, SIG</b></p> <p>Title: The Future of LIS Education in Developing Countries: The Road Ahead.  Date: 14 and 15 August 2013  Venue: Nanyang Executive Centre, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore</p>	
<p><b>14. Close of Meeting and RSCAO Group Photo</b></p>	