



IFLA Section on Library Services to Multicultural Populations

Standing Committee Meeting - Midyear 2009

Location: Osaka, Japan

Date: Monday March 16th – Tuesday March 17th

Place: The Japan Foundation Japanese-Language Institute, Kansai, 9 am – 5 pm

Documents are at the IFLAnet. List of Section members and SC members are attached

Minutes

Participants: Volker Pirsich, Mijin Kim, Ann-Katrin Ursberg, Susana Alegre Landáburu, Tess M. Tobin, Susy Tastesen, Lourina K. de Voogd, Flemming Munch, Clara M. Chu, Yasuko Hirata, Robert Pestell,

Apologies: Ariel Lebowitz, Ayub Khan, Kirsten Leth-Nielsen, Benedikte Kragh-Schwarz, Domenico Ciccarello, Irene Chadnova, Oriana Acevedo, Jane Pyper

No response: Galina Raykova, Svetlana Gorokhova,

Guest: Yasuyo Inoue, Miyuki Hamaguchi (librarian at the institute)

Reporter: Susy Tastesen

1. Welcome, apologies

Thanks to sponsors:

1. Japan Foundation Japanese-Language Institute, Kansai provided us accommodation and meeting room.
2. Our reception was hosted by Japan Library Association (JLA), JLA Committee on Multicultural Library Services and Librarians' Network for Culturally Diverse Society (LINCS)
3. We received 190,000 yen (about 1,900 US dollars) donated by JLA Committee on Multicultural Library Services and three individuals.

The Standing Committee members are very grateful for all the support from Japanese Librarians

2. Introduction and practical information

Mijin and Yasuko gave some practice information

3. Minutes of the SC meetings I and II in Quebec

– <http://www.ifla.org/VII/s32/index.htm#Minutes>

- follow up items from Quebec:

6. Secretary's report, Ten Reasons: The translation was Armenian, not Azerbaijani

4. Chair's report; information on SC, CB and HQ

Mijin gave some report from Division III meeting in Quebec

Our new Division will be following Section's:

- Reference and Information Services
- Information Literacy
- Libraries for Children and Young Adults
- Library Services to Multicultural Populations
- Libraries Serving Disadvantaged Persons
- Literacy and Reading
- Bibliography
- Classification and Indexing
- Cataloguing
- Knowledge Management
- Information Technology

There will be 19 satellite meetings before and after the Milan Conference.
SIG have only one hour for sessions, sections 2 hours.

IFLA has a large surplus. We will invite IFLA to do something for 3rd world members.

We will only have one SC-meeting at the annual conferences, but we can ask for a second meeting (and we have). Will be Wednesday 18-20 (this is bad, this is reception day)

Instead, we will have our second meeting on Monday, August 24, 16:00-18:00 followed by our Section dinner. Volker will ask the Goethe Institute if we can hold our meeting at their location. Susy will find us a restaurant for our Section dinner. Volker will send invitations to our new members and mention the SC meeting (Mijin will ask Sjoerd at what time it will be). It will be Saturday August 22.

There will be a Digital Library conference in Milan, Sjoerd and others are in the working group.

IFLA reports that 50% of the participants in satellite meetings will also go to IFLA.

HQ will develop a policy on the creation of guidelines.

IFLA will also look into hosting papers from Satellite meetings, and they will promote Satellite meetings more.

We will send a copy/link of our guidelines for satellite meetings/Mijin

HQ had a discussion whether there should be a discount for people who register for both the main Congress and a Satellite meeting. No decision has been made yet.

Manifesto: There were some recommendations

Name changes:

Blinds: Libraries serving people with print disabilities

Disadvantaged: Library services to people with special needs

Elections: we have 3 candidates for Division Chair. After the meeting we were informed that Judy Field is our new Division Chair.

IFLA president: Ballots will be sent out soon. Mijin recommended the Canadian Candidate, Ingrid Parent

Magda Bouwens from IFLA HQ has reminded all member to sign up for IFLA L (IFLA list).

5. Secretary's/Treasurer's report; finances, work schedule
– <http://www.ifla.org/VII/s32/index.htm#WorkSchedule>

Susy made the finance reports
Work Schedule was checked and revised

6. Membership

- New SC members

Volker reported from his work as "recruitment officer". We have 11 new members so we will now be 21 SC-members. We now have two years to find some members from developing countries.

We have to submit the request about 21 members to Nancy Gwinn.

New list of SC-members is attached.

Loriene Roy will be nominated next time – this time there is already nominated 2 from ALA. But she will participate as an ex-officio member.

There are also other expected as new members who did not become nominated, see minutes Quebec.

We will write to new members and tell them about the section and the time schedule.

Could we have sponsors? Volker, Ann-Katrin and Tess will make a working group.

Outgoing is Clara, Lourina and Susy

- New Membership Recruitment

Mijin will do a general letter.

Mijin will write to all our members and thank them. The member list is attached to the minutes.

- Corresponding members' proposals

Jane Pyper will retire as editor. Will Kirsten end her job with Manifesto?

Domenico will retire. We should renominate Oriana. We wish Irene to translate. That will give us 2 or 3 free seats.

Wishes about projects to be a corresponding member to Mijin not later than August 1st.

- Updating – list of members (new list is attached)

Election year: we must elect a chair and a new secretary.

Susy will send out papers about election (attached)

Remember it is necessary for officers to be at the meetings.

Susana volunteered to stand as Secretary. Which will mean we will require a new Information Officer. Maybe one of the new members would like that?

Mijin will stand to be renominated for a second term as Chair.

7. The Multicultural Library Manifesto

- Status from Kirsten (reported by Mijin)

Manifesto is approved by IFLA and initial by Unesco; and will hopefully be finally approved at UNESCO's general conference in Autumn 2009.

Kirsten will bring a flyer to the poster session; Yasuko is also in the working group.

They hope for volunteers to be at the poster session.

Lourina presented a brochure about the Manifesto published by her organisation, Vereniging van Openbare Bibliotheken. They have distributed it to all libraries.

Translations: Mijin will take care of French, Ann-Katrin will make Swedish, Yasuko will try Korean, Clara will try Chinese and Arabic. Then we will have all IFLA languages.

- Definition on Cultural diversity/Multiculturalism status by Clara
- is waiting until Manifesto is approved by UNESCO.

- Funding, status by Susy

We got 800 € from IFLA for the Manifesto, and Kirsten's library will pay the rest

8. Guidelines

- Status by Robert/working group

Robert has been waiting for the last chapter from Clara. Now he is not able to finish Guidelines before May (because of a lot of work!).

Susy will have the last version from Robert and send it out to SC-members as the last version.

A very big thank you to Robert for years of work with this.

Translations/languages:

English, *German*, *French*, *Spanish*, Russian, Chinese, Arabic are the IFLA languages.

Italic means: before Milan

Other possible languages are Swedish, Armenian, Hindi, Turkish, Dutch, Japanese

By the end of December 2009 we will also have Croatian. Ivanka from the Reading group is waiting for the final versions of the Guidelines to publish a book with all the Section's works to distribute in Croatia.

We should have a format for the Guidelines – bullets, headlines. Lourina will try to do that.

Robert's task: to submit the Guidelines as an IFLA paper. IFLA must accept it as a professional report. Then they will print it.

Susy can make cd's with all the publications and bring it to Milan.

We can think of the same thing on a usb-key and maybe other solutions.

- Funding, status by Susy

We have received 800 € and 1.000 € are reserved for translations

9. Strategic Plan 2009 - 10

- <http://www.ifla.org/VII/s32/annual/sp32.htm>

- Revised August 2008

This is only for information, not for discussion. In Aug. 2008 we only added the SIG – we made a big revision in 2007-08 (Ljubljana). Next revision will be 2010 starting at the midyear meeting.

10. Special Interest Group

- Status by Mijin

Our SIG is officially approved by IFLA

SIG's can exist for 4 years. We had expected the Convenor Loriene Roy to be nominated as an SC-member but now she is an ex-officio member

- Report back on Sydney

Mijin went to Sydney in December. Robert also participated. New South Wales hosted the meeting.

Loriene Roy, Alex Byrne, Anne Hall and Oriana were there.

The initial meeting discussed the scope and membership of the SIG.

- Satellite Conference proposal

We wanted a joined conference, but SIG preferred a separate Satellite conference in Canberra on indigenous matters. They can have that after Brisbane, not at the same time as the Sydney Conference.

We have to send in the form and Mijin will do it Tuesday.

Proposed theme: "Issues Impacting Library Services for Indigenous Peoples"

Ann-Katrin will join Mijin participating in the SIG.

You can be a member without being an IFLA member. We – our Section – should promote others from all different parts of the world to participate..

- SIG on Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#/group.php?gid=66990630010>

But you have to have a Facebook account.

11. IFLA in Italy 2009

- Milan Session, status by working group (Susana, Tess, Kirsten).

We have asked for a 250 people-room and Simultaneous Interpretation.

Tess: Libraries create futures (general theme), our group was looking for performing art, artistic expression, Cultural heritage collection, physical and virtual exhibition. We received 33 proposals. 4 papers were chosen: Journey Trough Islamic Art (Norway); Kirsten will bring the exhibition.

Other papers chosen were from Romania, Serbia and Chicago/USA.

Our SC-members should do all they can to participate in our own session.

The article from Barcelona last year was accepted as "Best paper", but rejected in the end because they didn't like the picture!

Mijin and Susy will write a protest.

- Milan IFLA Schedules, extra meeting, hotels

Lourina recommend Raffaello, walking distance to conference centre but far from centre of Milan. Most members have found that they can often secure a better rate by going directly to the hotel website.

Note: Conference opening and Exhibition opening Sunday, Social event Tuesday.

Section dinner probably Monday, we will have our second meeting 2 hours before. Volker will ask Goethe Institute. Susy will find a place to eat and make reservation.

- Palermo Conference, status by working group

We have not heard anything from Domenico yet; Mijin will mail to Domenico with a very short deadline. We have a website now:

<http://www.ifla.org/en/events/satellite-meeting-2009-libraries-and-society-a-pan-mediterranean-perspective>

12. IFLA in Australia 2010

- Brisbane August 15th-19th, status by working group

Working group will be established in Milan.

- Sydney, status by working group

Working group will be established in Milan. Status by organizing committee/Mijin.

Tuesday August 10th: Opening session, closing Thursday 12th about 4 pm.

13. Information and Communication Matters

- Google Tools

Flemming recommend that we use this. He has just put the hotel in Milan and the Dutch brochure on the webpage.

Susana and Tess used it planning Milan.

As soon as we have the new members Flemming will mail again and tell what to do.

Flemming will make a ten minutes presentation in Milan to guide all of us trough.

- Listserv, Clara. This is rejected.

We will have the emails of the new members as soon as possible.

- Newsletter, next deadline

Follow up: <http://www.ifla.org/VII/s32/news/s32-newsletter-Nov2008.pdf>

We can have the new member from Toronto as our new editor.

Deadline May 1st then the Newsletter will come in the beginning of June. Everything to Susy

Articles (maybe about 500 words):

Two from this meeting, one from library visits and reception, one about our work at the meeting.

Susana and Yasuko will do the last one. Library article: Volker and Lourina.

Lourina is asked to write about her eight years in the section.

Ann-Katrin: Palermo

Tess and Susana about Milan.

Loriene Roy about SIG

Oriana: Sydney

Welcome to new members: Volker

Funding and resources: Tess

Robert: Guidelines

Member list (including new members): Susy

Features: Every member send to Mijin (new programmes or things like that).

Short biography and picture from new members (100-150 words).

Recruitment strategy from Clara

Pictures: Mijin, Susana, Susy and others

Flemming recommend flickr or Picasso

Clara: Do our Section want a Facebook account? Yes, Clara is responsible. She will invite all.

Special deadline: April 10th: Every member must write a few comments to Yasuko about Japanese libraries.

- New IFLA Website Update, Susana/Robert:

IFLA webmaster, webmaster@ifla.org

Check www.iflatest.org

Susana is following up and has been testing.

2-3 people in our Section should have a proper look and report to Susana. We have the opportunity to influence now. Not many people are involved.

Lourina comments about layout. Too many steps are required to go to information about sections
All updates for the website, etc must go through our information officer (Susana) and not directly.

- Publications etc.

We will have the Recruitment paper, and we will have new translations of other papers.

14. Future Research Projects

What is the natural next step for this group?

A student, Jamilla Johnston, University of Arizona wants to be involved in our section, maybe we could think of something for her next research paper? How to proceed?

Mijin will mail us her last paper.

15. AOB

Midyear meeting 2010:

We will ask the Russian SC-members if they can host us (The State Library in Moscow).

Mijin will send them an email before Milan.

(Plan B could be Spain)

In 2011 maybe we should have a study tour in NY additionally to Puerto Rico – not like a Satellite meeting but open for others. Tess will talk to Fred and report back to us.

Gifts:

Lourina suggested some special silver plated bookmarks. She will send a link.

Pens could also be a possibility.

Susy will make a short list of maybe 5 things, with prices (with a printed logo and url)

Flyer: Susy will make two suggestions; two on an A4 or 3 on an A4. Make some small space to write an email – then you can use it as a business card.

Recruitment Strategies: Clara passed a document.

Now we have a full package: Manifesto, Ten Reasons and Recruitment.

Clara will send the final document to Susy not later than March 18th and deadline for comments from members is one month from now.

Flemming told that his library will construct a PHD.

There will be a conference in Denmark June 9th to 11th 2010.