

**DDRS Section Chair's Report
IFLA WLIC August 2013
Singapore**

Because Mary Hollerich is unable to attend the IFLA WLIC in Singapore, the Chair's Report is being submitted via email so that it can be entered into the SC meeting minutes.

DDRS Blog and Web Page

With help from Louis Takacs at IFLA HQ, we now have a blog created on our web site. All SC members have permission to contribute to it. The SC should discuss how best to use the blog to communicate with the global resource sharing community, and how to promote awareness of the blog among our colleagues around the world. Thanks to Rose Goodier and Louis Takacs for setting up the blog.

ILDS Conference Beijing

Xiaoxia Yao is our contact at CALIS the organization sponsoring ILDS 2013 in Beijing. Ms. Yao reported recently that OCLC agreed to sponsor the conference; however, CALIS is finding it difficult to line up additional sponsorship and registration is so far quite low. There is still time to locate sponsors for the conference or to promote registration, but we should provide assistance in lining up sponsors and promoting registration for the meeting.

Satellite Meeting 2014

Pentti Vattulainen and Jacqueline Gillet submitted a successful proposal to host a satellite meeting at the 2015 WLIC in Lyon. INIST has agreed to host the satellite meeting at its headquarters in Nancy.

Model Handbook

Work on the handbook is nearly complete. Margarita Moreno, Joan Stein, and Mary Hollerich have received final revisions on about one-third of the chapters; completed editing and are awaiting final revisions to another third, and are completing the editing of the remaining third. The editors are also creating an index for the handbook and editing the bibliography. A final manuscript will be submitted to IFLA HQ no later than Tuesday, October 1, 2013.

Election of New Officers, and elimination of Treasurer position

In order to vote on section business such as election of new officers, IFLA requires a quorum of the section's members to be present. Because it did not appear likely that the SC would have a quorum of its current membership in attendance at the Singapore WLIC, and because several of officers including the Chair were unable to travel to Singapore, new officers were elected via email in late July and early August. Secret ballots were not required for this election since each candidate ran unopposed. The section officers and Information Coordinator for 2013 – 2015 are:

Pentti Vattulainen, Chair

Finland

Candice Townsend, Secretary
USA

Peter Bae, Information Coordinator
USA

Hollerich congratulates the new officers and now passes the torch to Pentti Vattulainen who will also chair the SC meetings in Singapore and attend the meetings typically attended by the section chair, such as the Division II Leadership Brief. Pentti has many years of experience with the DDRS and is a leader in the international resource sharing community; He will do a great as chair.

Candice was elected to a second term as Secretary, but will also now have to assume some duties as Treasurer since we have voted to eliminate that position. IFLA stopped recognizing treasurers as section officers a number of years ago; instead, IFLA only considers the Chair and Secretary to be officers. Since Bob Seal had to close out our bank accounts and transfer any money in those accounts back to IFLA, there is little left for anyone to do in regard to monitoring our finances. Therefore, the SC voted to eliminate the position of Treasurer and to transfer those duties to the position of Secretary. Thank you, Candice, for taking on the treasurer's responsibilities.

Peter Bae has been elected to serve as the SC's Information Coordinator and will actually those duties immediately. Peter has also agreed to attend the necessary training sessions for new officers or IC's in Singapore.

Congratulations to all our new officers, and a big thank you to Bob Seal for being such a great steward of finances during his two terms as Treasurer. Thank you, Bob!

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Hollerich