

Social Science Libraries Standing Committee Minutes, Quebec, Canada, 2008

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11.30 – 14.20

Present:

- Liz COOPER, Emory University, United States
- Ralf DEPPING, University and City library of Cologne, Germany
- Jacques HELLEMANS, Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium
- Wilda NEWMAN, Knowledge Associates Resources, LLC, United States
- Lynne RUDASILL, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign, United States
- Tove Pemmer SAETRE, Bergen University College, Norway
- Steve WITT, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign, United States

Not Attending:

- Laurence FIOUX, Bibliothèque de Documentation Internationale Contemporaine, France
- P.R. GOSWAMI, Director, NASSDOC, ICSSR, India
- M. Mohamed Syhir JANJAR, Fondation du Roi Abdil-Aziz Al Saoud pour les Etudes Islamiques et les Sciences Humaines, Morocco
- Stanislav KALKUS, Charles University, Czech Republic
- Muttayya M. KOGANURAMATH, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India

Observer:

- Maria Elena Dorta DUQUE, University library La Habana, Cuba

Members and observers present introduced themselves. It was noted that Goswami and Kalkus, sent regrets. Minutes of the Social Science Libraries standing committee meetings held in Durban were distributed with minor changes from those published in the Committee's newsletter. These were reviewed and corrected. Notable was the change regarding the "Evidence Based Practice" survey and report scheduled for completion by the Quebec meeting. It was agreed that this would not be carried out due to the amount of effort and time available for such an undertaking. Other changes did not affect overall content. Lynne made a motion for approval of minutes, seconded by Liz. Meeting minutes were approved by the members present.

Meeting Discussion:

- Recommendation of three papers from the SocSci Quebec program to Steven Parker, *IFLA Journal* as offerings
- Statutes Revision Meeting Q & A scheduled for Sunday
- Officers preview of IFLA website scheduled for Monday
- Governing Board meeting previewed proposed new IFLA website built on DRUPAL – open source content system – developed in the same vein as the Linux System
- IFLA publications launch
- SocSci Conference Session – Review of session chair's responsibility at that meeting
 1. Keep on track
 2. Brief introduction
 3. Language of paper
 4. Copy of paper to translator

Jacques Hellemans, Session Chair, said four of the eight papers to be presented were in French, one each from Belgium and France, and two from Quebec. This session will have Simultaneous Interpretation. Papers are available via the IFLA conference program site. <http://www.ifla.org/IV/ifla74/Programme2008.htm>

Matters Arising:

- Elections in Milan in 2009 [Member organizations can nominate one person now and another the following year.] Letters should go out to the list that was used last year to solicit additional members for the SocSci Libraries Standing Committee. (Jacques Hellemans)
- In October calls for Standing Committee Members with deadline February 2009. Members with terms ending in 2009 are still on the committee until the end of the Milan conference.
- In October IFLA will extend an invitation for Election of Chair and Secretary of the Section. Division officers will elect the Chair of that Group. Professional Committee Chair will be elected by all of the Section Chairs. By May or June we should know who these “Chairs” will be. Steve will circulate to this committee calls for nominations to us.
- There are five Divisions in IFLA now. SIGS will have to apply for standing. Core activities include FAIFE and Copyright.
- Consideration is being given to make Information Coordinators officers. As officers they would attend IFLA Officers’ reception. This could attract more active members since it could be easier to get organizations to support travel and participation in IFLA.
- President-elect’s round-table discussion is to be held on Tuesday. (Lynne Rudasill, Tove Pemmer Saetre, Wilda Newman)
 - Ellen Tise – Libraries on the Agenda now and will be a continuation of that access to knowledge and advocacy issues put into more concrete, tangible, actions, and looking at convergence of libraries, museums and archives.
- For Milan a one day session/conference for about 150 people is being considered with the Italian government sponsoring and paying for working sessions of experts.
- Sectional Money
 - Professional Committee Review of section money usage - previously most was used for the newsletters and that is changing and also some sections are not using the money allocated. Money not used will go to the IFLA Foundation Fund. SocSci had used part of its allocation for translation of section materials. Saetre noted that some sections were using money for essay grants to attend IFLA covering registration cost. Hellemans said for the French Society meeting—Algiers and Senegal—one person each was funded from leftover funds and rooms were found with a second bed available with other IFLA attendees. Witt’s organization funded one person from Latin America to attend the SocSci satellite meeting held in Toronto who was already registered for IFLA/Quebec.

Treasurer’s Report:

The Treasurer noted that finances are based at IFLA Headquarters and that is the best practical solution. Now, all that is required is that a wire is sent and the reimbursement is made.

Communications:

- The Section continued its two issues per year of the newsletter.
- The [IFLA-SOC-Lib](#) list continues to grow, even though it is not a very active list. Committee members were encouraged to use the list more to increase activity.
- Membership Project – Do a comparison of the List of IFLA participants in Quebec with the list of Social Science Libraries Section members. (Wilda Newman)
- Social Science Libraries Standing Committee Website – needs review and update. Wilda Newman will send information to Standing Committee members for filling-in and cleaning-up the content there.
- Leaflet –W ORDLE – the new website may use.....
- Social Science Section Dinner – Members and their guests will meet first at Chair, Steve Witt’s apartment for a reception and then walk to dinner at *Leaping Wolf* at 20.00.

Satellite Conference Report, Toronto:

- Discussion on the pre-conference satellite meeting held in Toronto 5-7 August, *“Disappearing Disciplinary Borders in the Social Science Library – Global Studies or Sea Change”* (Lynne Rudasill)
- Themes included Interdisciplinarity in the Social Sciences, Data services – a future for the Social Sciences? Continuing Challenges, Social Networks and Interdisciplinary Networking, and Social Science Portals. Plenary and dinner speakers completed the forum offerings.
- There will be an electronic evaluation using Survey Monkey. It is planned to connect our IFLA website to the electronic papers site at UIUC (http://www.ideals.uiuc.edu/feed/rss_2.0/2142/8807) available when requested. It is also planned to have these papers available as an IFLA series publication.

Submitted by Wilda Newman 7/23/2009