



IFLA
Professional Division
Committee F

Minutes of Professional Division Committee Meeting
Thursday, February 17th 2022, 11:00pm-11:30pm HKT
Teleconference

Attendance:

Helen Chan, Professional Division Committee Chair (Division F)
Ann Roll (Information Coordinator, Acquisition and Collection Development Section)
Russell S. Lynch (Chair, Preservation and Conservation Section)
Makeswary Periasamy (Secretary, Rare Books and Special Collections Section)
Stephanie Stillo (Information Coordinator, Rare Books and Special Collections Section)
Céline Allain (Secretary, Preservation and Conservation Section)
Mariia Kolpakova (Information Coordinator, Preservation and Conservation Section)
Rana Abdulrahman (Chair, Art Libraries Section)
Elsa Loftis (Secretary, Art Libraries Section)
Susan Parker-Leavy (Information Coordinator, Art Libraries Section)
Nicole Clasen (Secretary, Document Delivery and Resource Sharing (DDRS) Section)
Filiz Ekingen Flores Mamondi (Information Coordinator, Document Delivery and Resource Sharing (DDRS) Section)
Thomas Chaimbault-Petitjean (Convenor, LGBTQ Users Special Interest Group)

Apologies:

Lilly Ho (Chair, Acquisition and Collection Development Section)
Karin Byström (Secretary, Acquisition and Collection Development Section)
Daryl Green (Chair, Rare Books and Special Collections Section)
Tina Baich (Chair, Document Delivery and Resource Sharing (DDRS) Section)

1. Opening and confirmation of the agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Welcome and introduction

The Professional Division Committee Chair, Helen Chan welcomed the members of Division F. Members introduced themselves in the Zoom meeting. This time, Makeswary Periasamy and Lilly Ho joined effort to prepare the minutes. The meeting was began at 23:00 HKT and was recorded.

3. Minutes of previous meeting November 18th, 2021

The minutes of previous meeting was approved without correction.

4. **For information - Division F new standing committee members online gathering**

Helen reported that a short online New Year Gathering with new standing committee (SC) members was held on January 27, 2022 11:00 pm HKT. Thirty-three newcomers attended the event. All members were invited to submit a brief profile and contributed to the content of division newsletter.

5. **Division matters - Newsletters**

Helen shared a link to Google form and encouraged the group to submit a brief introduction and a message on supporting IFLA by the end of February. The information would be published as Division F Newsletter on Basecamp and would also be distributed to all officers and SC members among the division. The newsletter aims to enable members know each other and facilitate potential collaboration within the division as well as the professional units in other division.

Filiz requested the same information in the meeting.

Helen took a screenshot of everyone in the meeting. The group photo would be part of the content in the newsletter. Helen would work with Lilly to create the first issue of newsletter. The newsletter would also be available on IFLA website in the future.

6. **Division updates**

6.1 **Social media trolls**

Helen alerted the group regarding the recent trolling of social media accounts. She also shared the links to stop the Twitter trolls and block the unknown followers in Twitter. She requested the group to disseminate the message to their section members and report any irregularities to IFLA Headquarters.

6.2 **Phishing emails**

Helen reminded the group again regarding the phishing emails that were received by a few members earlier. She advised the group to contact her for clarification if suspected emails were received.

7. **Updates on WLIC 2022**

7.1 **Open sessions and satellite meetings**

Helen reminded that the submission deadlines of open sessions and satellite meetings proposals are March 7 and February 25 respectively. This year, the theme of 3-day conference is “inspire”, “engage”, “enable” and “connect”. Poster sessions would have the same theme. She encouraged the group to submit the proposals that are aligned to the theme and collaborated with other sections. The Professional Council would immediately review the proposal upon receipt.

7.2 **Business meetings**

Helen informed that the SC business meetings would be a combination of in-person and virtual. The first meeting is scheduled on Monday July 25 during the congress. It would be a 2-hour in-person meeting. The second business meeting will be online and hold after WLIC. A slot for a 90-minute would be allocated for the special interest

groups (SIGs) for the first time during the congress programme on Tuesday July 26 to Thursday July 28.

There may have not had sufficient meeting rooms for each section. The professional section may need to host the first meeting online with local Wi-Fi. Helen advised the group to use a portable Wi-Fi device during the congress. It would give flexibility to connect to the meeting without physical barrier.

7.3 Networking

Division F would arrange an in-person gathering at WLIC 2022 in Dublin. Details to be announced later.

8. Other business

Helen shared the event details of the International Digital Story Writing Competition which would have about 1,000 primary and secondary school students to participate. The themes of the event focus on dealing with the pandemic, “AI and health” & “COVID-19: Imagine, Create & Share”. She was delighted if the committee members assist to disseminate the information to their network or any interested parties in their countries.

9. Next meeting

The meeting was adjourned on Thursday, February 17th, 2022 23:30 HKT.

Next meeting was scheduled on Thursday, May 19th, 2022 23:00 HKT. Suggested other timeslots are welcomed.