

Minutes of Environment, Sustainability and Libraries Business Meeting Teleconference (Zoom) 30 August 2022

ENSULIB Business Meeting II (Virtual)

Date: 30 August 2022

Meeting started at 14:00 CEST / Meeting ended at 16:00 CEST

Notes taken by Priscilla Pun

1. Welcome, Introduction, Apologies

Chair Harri Sahavirta opened the meeting by welcoming all members of the Standing Committee (SC) and observers to the meeting.

- a. Approval of the Agenda: The agenda was approved as submitted.
- b. Approval of Minutes from SC Business Meeting 1, held in Dublin on 25 July 2022.
- c. Attendance:

SC members present: Kristine Deksne (Latvia), Petra Hauke (Germany), György Drucker (Hungary), Per Eide (Norway), Sarah Foezon (France), Eva Hackenberg (Poland), Antonia Mocatta (Australia), Rossana Morriello (Italy), Arnold Mwanzu (Kenya), Rosario Toril Moreno (Spain), Katharina Portugal (Austria), Priscilla Pun (China/Macao), Harri Sahavirta (Finland), Janet Wagner (Germany), Ana Zdravje (Slovenia)

SC members apologies: Jacqueline Breidlid (Germany), Beth Filar Williams (US), Amelie Vallotton (Switzerland)

Participants/observers present: Vivienne Byrd (US), Anna Au (Germany/Macao)

2. Membership changes

As stated on the IFLA website for members' duties https://www.ifla.org/be-an-active-committee-member/, members should participate actively in the section activities such as posters, papers, WLIC open session and satellite programs, and etc. Due to some reasons, our SC members Edgardo Civallero (Charles Darwin Foundation for the Galapagos Islands, Ecuador) and Camille Delaune (Alianza Francesa Lima, Peru) has retired.

Therefore, we could have the co-opt members' election (maximum two seats). The following are some criteria/rules for the election –

- Geographical diversity
- Members could not join more than one IFLA unit
- 2 weeks for nominations

Harri mentioned that co-opt members status is just like SC members status although they are elected in a special way. The co-opt members are welcome to apply for the SC membership in the future. Vivienne Byrd from US is suggested to apply for the co-opt membership. Petra will prepare a document to call for co-opt members, which will be sent via email and posted on ENSULIB website and social media.

Relevant documents could be found at Basecamp https://3.basecamp.com/3833672/buckets/22761066/vaults/5113010132

3. Open Session for IFLA WLIC 2023 Rotterdam (WLIC is not included in Action Plan)

Harri has approached the following 3 units, which agreed to work with ENSULIB for WLIC 2023. We could work with all of these units in various ways, for open session, satellite and etc.

• Information Literacy Section had accepted our initiative for joint session.

Theme: Environmental Information Literacy

Planning committee is needed for planning this as a satellite.

Anna and Rossana suggested that we could work with STL Section as well. Harri mentioned that public libraries could be involved as well. Tentative planning committee members: Per, Rossana, Vivienne, Harri, Petra, Priscilla, Arnold, Anna, Sarah, Eva.

• **FAIFE** is interested in co-operation.

Theme: Sustainability and Ethical Problems in Library Field

Amélie: in case we work with FAIFE for a session, I would also be interested to participate in the organization. I have been involved with FAIFE some years ago and am still quite into those professional ethics issues. Tentative planning committee members: Amélie, Per, Harri, Petra, Priscilla

• **Library Buildings and Equipment** is interested in co-operation. Consider to work with CYA as well (?) Tentative planning committee members: Beth, Rossana, Per, Anna, Rossana, Antonia, Janet, Harri, Petra, Priscilla

4. Annual Report

The most updated version dated 29 August 2022 has been posted at Basecamp. The due date to submit the final version to HQ is 1 October 2022. The following are the items included in the annual report:

- WLIC 2022: Open session & satellite
- IFLA Green Library Award & new definitions and criteria
- Webinar series
- Newsletter & social media activities

- Green Library toolbox
- ENSULIB video
- List of members' duties & meetings

ENSULIB has been awarded DUIA 2022 Special Mention for Outstanding Communication. Congratulations to ENSULIB and all of its members. Details of DUIA 2022 could be found https://www.ifla.org/news/duia-2022/

5. Update of Action Plan 2022-2023

The due date to submit to HQ is 1 October 2022.

The new Action plan form is a bit clumsy and it is not always clear what actions belong under which strategic direction. Harri, Antonia and Priscilla will think about what would be a logical structure for the Action Plan.

Strategic Direction One: Strengthen the global voice

- Support SDG stories (team: Harri, Antonia, Priscilla) --> this team was meant to think about the
 action plan structure, not SDG stories; it should be lifted upper.
 - Tip list for libraries and library associations (New)
 - -- should this be considered as SD #3: Connect and empower ??
 - -- Anna raised: Maybe library associations' connection can be a survey on their advocacy for the SDGs and climate action?
 - ENSULIB documents translated (new)
 - Book project editorial team needed
 - -- Petra, Priscilla, Ana, Rosario, Arnold, Katharina (Postpone to 2024; IFLA pub, OA)
 - -- Katharina concerned: I would be interested in joining an editorial team, but I understand and share Petra's concern on how we would manage to actually get this done.

Strategic Direction Two: Inspire and enhance

- SC members present ENSULIB at the international conferences
 - -- ENSULIB has been asked to support 2nd International Conference on Green Libraries in Limerick 8th-10th of November 2023, which is arranged by Technological University of the Shannon (TUS), Midlands Midwest, in Limerick, Ireland, in cooperation with the Croatian Library Association's Working Group for Green Libraries, and the National and University Library in Zagreb. It was proposed that Teams or Zoom soon to discuss the Conference in Limerick
- IFLA Green Library Award 2023 & criteria updated (Harri will do the draft first for comments)
 Sponsors for the Award still waiting the rules from HQ Euro 500 (will be sponsored next year)

- Award video for funding, HQ is the only source It is not suitable to ask any other companies for sponsorship...
- Webinar Series
 - -- CYA project + social media: will be discussed further on the coming communication plan meeting.
 - -- Rossana recommended the bean growing project for ENSULIB Webinar Series.
 - -- Upcoming webinars: Inner Development Goals in Sep 2022 (by Beth & Vivienne); Citizen science presented by NASA representative in Nov 2022 (by Vivienne); WLIC ideas in Jan 2023 with CYA Section.
- Project on standards
 - -- Amélie: major issue right now and if possible, it should not be postponed guidelines... (Team: Antonia, Petra, Harri, Priscilla, Rosario, Arnold, Janet, Vivienne, Eva, Anna)

Strategic Direction Three: Connect and empower

- ENSULIB Newsletter (upcoming issue will be published in Dec 2022)
- Social media activities (add more media, like LinkedIn, etc.)
- Green Library Toolbox (updating)
 - in Sept first version to be published
 - Rosario will be the editor
- Beans growing project: this might be something for the Newsletter (to start the project). Let's wait if they got any funding, especially for European countries.
- MAPS → ENSULIB campaign for libraries to present Artic seas and MAPS –ask our SC members to present. We didn't see any role we could be in here and thus we didn't get it.
- Poster after Colombian example? -- improve the translation and make it generic and suit in the global context; the form could be inforgraphics, guidelines, posters, etc.
- Communication Plan: Rossana and Katherina raised that a social media/communication plan should be prepared and enhanced, such as to include more hashtag # for keywords in order to allow posts to be found more easily via AI, and other ways.

• Strategic Direction Four: Optimize our organization

- SC members' co-operation to develop: A collection of exemplary presentations (and slides) should be created to make easier to introduce ENSULIB by SC members
- Co-operation with HQ & other sections (like CYA)

- Amélie rasied at Basecamp: she is interested in participating in the preparation of a project with SET in order to start a global conversation between the Institutions responsible for the LIS education worldwide about how "sustanability management" should be brought in the curriculum (in the form of a webinar for example as you mentioned in Strategic Direction 3, or any other idea)
- Petra: The <u>IFLA Section on Education and Training (SET)</u> will launch the SET Training School with an inaugural webinar "Green and Sustainable Libraries — Facing the UN Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development Special Focus: SDG 13, Climate Action" on 30 September 2022 from CEST 15:00-16:00.

The meeting chat messages could be found here https://3.basecamp.com/3833672/buckets/22761066/uploads/5277845640

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 16:00 CEST.