



**IFLA Section
Science and
Technology Libraries**

Minutes of the Science and Technology Libraries
Section
Meeting
Teleconference (Zoom), 1, June 2022

Attendance:

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The following Agenda was confirmed for the meeting:

- I. Welcome and Email Regrets
- II. Approval of the Agenda
- III. IFLA Professional Council-Latest Updates
- IV. WLIC Satellite Meeting Update (Margret)
- V. Sub-Committee Updates
- VI. Where We Are with Action Plan 2021-2023
- VII. Any other business to discuss?
- VIII. Reminder of Future Meetings

[Link to Presentation Slides](#)

- I. Welcome and Email Regrets
Sandy welcomes the section members.
- II. Approval of the Agenda ([linked here](#))
Agenda was approved via Basecamp mail
- III. IFLA Professional Council-Latest Updates
The contract of Gerald Leitner our Secretary General was terminated on April 15, see [Termination of contract with IFLA Secretary General – IFLA](#)

There is a new interim Secretary General named, see: New Interim Secretary General Named: <https://www.ifla.org/secretary-general/>

Sandy will attend a PC meeting this summer as the Secretary of Division D

Last Division D meeting was on April 6th. There was not much to report from the meeting, because the above mentioned changes were still under lock and key.
Next Division D meeting June 22nd

- IV. WLIC Satellite Meeting Update (Margret)
Margret reported that unfortunately there is not a single registration for the Library Carpentry Workshop. Another outreach campaign is planned. At the latest 4 weeks before the event we should finally cancel if there are no participants. In this case Margret will take care that the sponsor money will be transferred back.
- V. Sub-Committee Updates
 - A. WLIC Program Sub-Committee (Sandy in Julia's absence)
The STL Session is scheduled for Wednesday July 27, 8.30-9.45 CEST
The WLIC 2022 planning committee reviewed the 11 submissions that the section received for our program in Dublin and have selected 3 proposals that addressed our call providing different approaches to promoting open activities in the sciences. We will have different topical areas and speakers from 3 continents. Thanks to Kathrin, Lillian, Anna, Tara, MaryDee and the STL leadership for their work in posting the calls, reviewing and ranking the proposals. The IFLA Science & Technology Section, with the Health & Biosciences Libraries Section and the Knowledge Management Section and the Digital Humanities/Digital Scholarship SIG will present a program at the WLIC 2022 in Dublin, Ireland on "Open Practices: Science Engagement" and is pleased to announce the three presentations:
 - 1. Making Space for Open Science: NASA's Transform to Open Science (TOPS) by Caroline Coward, Jet Propulsion Laboratory/Caltech, Pasadena, CA, USA

2. Open Science Movement and the Benefits for Researchers: A Conceptual Framework by Neema Florence Mosha, University of South Africa, Pretoria, South Africa
3. Analyzing the Gender Bias in STEM Biographies: The Role of Reliable Information Sources in Wikipedia by David Ramirez-Ordóñez and Julio Meneses from the Universitat Oberta de Catalunya in Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain and Nuria Ferran-Ferrer, Universitat de Barcelona, Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain

Full abstracts:

<https://3.basecamp.com/3833672/buckets/4924121/messages/4860903908>

B. Marketing and Outreach Sub-Committee (Sarah)

Sarah asks members to like and share the Section's YouTube channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4hr8Yr_G9B6W8k9APDyiKQ

She reported that the Subcommittee has been doing marketing for the Satellite and for Prof. Development activities on all social channels. The event checklist is done and can be found on Basecamp (under Marketing & Outreach Sub-Committee), this includes best practices and guidelines for events.

Since she will not be at WLIC herself, she encourages tagging our twitter account when we tweet from there.

C. Professional Development Sub-Committee (Manika)

Manika gives an update on the next Professional Development Webinars. They will focus on Author Carpentry, as previously mentioned, and the proposed dates/times/topics are below.

- June 22nd 7-8:30 AM Pacific and 3-4:30 Pacific for the OA workshop
- June 29th 6:30 AM -7:30 AM Pacific and 3-4 Pacific for the DOI workshop

VI. Where We Are with Action Plan 2021-2023 ([linked here](#))

A. Fund request update about Wordly- video language translation

The fund request was accepted, so in the future we will be able to have our videos translated into all official IFLA languages with the help of Wordly software. This also applies to already existing videos. This is a good addition because it gives us more reach. Unfortunately, there is still no IFLA blog. We will still wait until there is one and not set something up ourselves.

B. A call for section members to be sent out soon-follow up via Basecamp

We would like to fill our empty seats, for this we will publish a call for new section members. There are very good examples of how other sections have done this. Sandy will look at these and make a suggestion.

If you know of any good potential candidates, let Sandy know.

Here is also a link to self-nomination form for review:

<https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6662373/Co-opt-2021-2023>

C. Brainstorming WLIC 2023 program ideas

The following topics were suggested during the meeting:

1. Artificial intelligence helping STEM community
2. How AI is being used by researchers and being used to search for information
3. Data Science and how it helps the STEM community and STEM librarians in particular
4. Repair Cafe and Mobile Makerspace -accessibility of technology with regard tools, knowledge, etc
5. Spotting predatory publishing within STEM
6. Data visualization and research graphs for STEM community and for librarians too and telling a story through data/knowledge graphs as a hot topic of IT and knowledge management
7. Social media/social informatics analysis

Potential Collaborators:

- new AI SIG but we could do something more STEM specific or work -together in tandem with them/ could also work with Big Data SIG or the Informatics SIG
- for data story could partner with digital humanities section or SIG and also natural sciences

If you would like to add a topic, please use this document:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/12SYMiUCygwJEi7soMWDQyZg9kVjBw6XLXWf1HNzAy6s/edit>

VII. Any other business to discuss?
None.

VIII. Reminder of Future Meetings

- A. Next meeting: pre-WLIC meeting Wednesday, July 6th, 2022 same time
- B. Section meeting on Monday, July 25, 11.15 - 1:15 CEST in room Wicklow.
Since not many of us will be there in person, we try and set up a zoom, so that everyone can participate.

We will query via Basecamp who will be at WLIC on which days. Maybe it is also possible to meet for lunch on one of the days.

C. Post WLIC meeting TBA