



# IFLA Section Serials and Other Continuing Resources

## Serials and Other Continuing Resources: Minutes of SOCRS 2022 Business Meeting I 25 July 2022 (Dublin Convention Centre, Liffey Hall 2)

### Attendance

#### Members present:

- Kathrin Behrens, Germany
- Gaelle Bequet, France
- Nadège Isbergue, Belgium
- Sandra K. Roe, United States of America
- Danyelle Silva, Brazil
- Theron Westervelt (Chair), United States of America
- Andrea Wirth (Secretary), United States of America

#### Guests:

- Te Paea Paringatai, Division G Chair
- Two observers

#### Regrets:

- Many committee members communicated they were unable to attend WLIC 2022 while others experienced travel challenges

### Agenda with notes

1. Welcome
  - a. Ted Westervelt welcomed the group to our first in-person meeting since 2019.
2. Approval of the Agenda
  - a. A request to discuss the role of liaisons to our committee and a brief discussion was held. We agreed to learn more about liaisons in IFLA at a later time.
3. Introductions
  - a. Everyone present in the Dublin meeting room introduced themselves.
4. Approval of the minutes of the standing committee meetings held online 12 August and 10 September, 2021.

- a. Approval of minutes postponed until we have a quorum during the second business meeting.
- 5. Updates from and discussions with Te Paea Paringatai, Division G Chair
  - a. Open Letter on Good governance in IFLA
    - i. Signatories - anyone can let Te Paea know if they or their institution would like to be a signatory
    - ii. Concerns include information sharing such as board meetings (transparency), and finances
    - iii. We were all invited to attend session 141 Thursday at 11am that will discuss these issues.
    - iv. Agreed to discuss this topic more at the 2nd business meeting in September
- 6. Reports from officers
  - a. Ted provided a Chair's report covering the following topics
    - i. There is work on how to structure working groups, special interest groups, and networks.
    - ii. We have some tools that IFLA provides to sections including Canva (infographics) and Alchemer (surveys). Alchemer might be helpful for collecting ideas for action planning.
    - iii. Election cycle is forthcoming. We should know our new committee members at least three months prior to the next conference. We talked briefly about membership recruitment.
    - iv. Increasing membership engagement of SOCRS committee. Would getting volunteers for specific projects be useful?
    - v. IFLA is starting cyclical unit reviews. We don't know when our unit will be reviewed. ACTION: Ted will ask Te Paea for more information. ACTION: discuss at the next meeting. In the Officer's Briefing, these questions were expected to be asked as part of the review:
      - 1. Does the committee's name need to change? Does it describe what we're doing?
      - 2. Does the area of focus need to change?
      - 3. What support is needed?
      - 4. Would a combination with other units strengthen practice?
      - 5. What are the committee's goals for the future?
  - b. Parisa (Information Coordinator) & Andrea (Secretary) will provide their respective updates at the second Business meeting.
- 7. Reports and updates on projects and the SOCRS WLIC program
  - a. WLIC program details:
    - i. Topic: The Use of Transformative Agreements: Do They Increase Access to Research? (papers are published and available from the program)
    - ii. Room: Auditorium
    - iii. Wednesday, July 27, 16:00 - 17:15

- iv. Committee members in attendance kindly agreed to help with monitoring twitter and assisting with presenter time. Many thanks to Sandy, Nadege, Gaelle, and Ted for volunteering.
  - b. Special issue on metrics published with *Serials Librarian*
    - i. Some articles are still under review, some have been accepted. Approximately 12 total will be published.
  - c. Special issue on open access mandates to be published in *Ciência da Informação*
    - i. Four articles so far. ACTION: Galle will provide an additional update at the September meeting as possible.
- 8. Annual reporting and Action Plan updates
  - a. Update to 2021-23 Action Plan is due September 15; Annual report is due October 1.
  - b. Annual reporting
    - i. Postpone discussion until the second Business meeting.
  - c. Action planning
    - i. We spent most of this time thinking about next year's conference programs - both an open programme and satellite were discussed. Suggestions included:
      - 1. Digital Preservation potentially in collaboration with other groups (Acquisition and Collection Development, Library Publishing, etc). Could be related to preserving content during times of war, Internet Archive efforts to preserve content and another group in France working on preservation efforts in crises.
      - 2. Building on the momentum of the *Serials Librarian* issue on metrics
      - 3. New types of journal publishing - new formats beyond the PDF
      - 4. ACTION: Continue discussion at the next meeting.
    - ii. We also briefly discussed creating resources to complement either or both our program on transformative agreements or metrics.
    - iii. For the satellite meeting there was a suggestion to offer practical outcomes (learning objectives, skills training) alongside presentations.
- 9. Recruiting nominees
  - a. Included in the opening of the Transformative Agreements program
  - b. Could reach out to sponsoring members (see below).
- 10. Outreach to sponsoring members
  - a. ACTION: Ted will ask if we can share our members list with the entire committee.
- 11. Adjournment until Business Meeting II is scheduled