



# IFLA Section Library and Research Services for Parliaments

IFLAPARL Standing Committee, Business Meeting 6  
**March 10, 2022, at 14h00 UTC**

## Attendance

Josefa Fuentes (Spain); Fabiola Rosales Salinas (Mexico); Julie Anderson (Canada); Sonia Bebbington (Canada); Holger Scheerer (Germany); Ida Kelemen (Hungary); Zhang Shuguang (China); Ioulani (Lila) Theodosi (Greece); Mary Mazanec (United States); Karin Finer (Belgium); Paola Mandillo (Italy); Chifuyu Hiyama (Japan); Youlim Lee (Korea); Ellie Valentine (United States)

**Regrets:** Janice Silveira (Brazil); Agustin Lopez (Argentina); Jonathan Curtis (Australia); Bello Fatimadou (Cameroon); Chama Mpundy Mfula (Zimbabwe)

## Minutes

1. Julie checked the attendance and the SC approved the agenda.
2. Welcome from the Chair:
  - Josefa remembered Donna Scheeder, who recently passed away. Mary echoed her sentiments.
  - Hope we will meet in Dublin, either in person or on-line. We are working on supporting a hybrid pre-conference.
3. Action Plan items updates:
  - a. Pre-conference (“Satellite”)
    - Date is set for Friday July 22<sup>nd</sup>.
    - Registration will be limited. The venue can hold 120 people
    - IFLAPARL to manage registration
    - Houses of the Oireachtas will host website with details; IFLA.org will also post details.
    - We will be firming up the day’s agenda and will share on Basecamp
    - Call for papers will be printed in the upcoming Newsletter
  - b. WLIC OPEN Session

- Our submission was approved as a 90-minute workshop. **We need a new title! “Inspire Us” was not approved.**

Submission:

Title: **Inspire us!**

**Theme:** Share and discuss new projects and services that engage, enable and connect parliaments and citizens.

**Description:**

This session will provide speakers to share short, practical presentations on successful implementations related to the topics of:

1. Innovative tools, products and services
2. Using data
3. Training staff to ensure they have the skills of the future
4. Tracking value of products and services

Following the short presentations, the remaining time will be devoted to a workshop, where tables will be staffed with the presenters and a facilitator. Attendees will be invited to self-select which table/presentation they would like to discuss further, ask questions and share information.

c. Social Media update

- We have a new [YouTube Channel!](#)
  - It currently has two videos from the Spanish Senate
- We now have an [Instagram](#) account!
  - We have made two posts: 1. about the upcoming Newsletter 2. The passing of Donna
- Call for content: please send pictures – of your library, your parliament, something special from your collection. The Social Media team will post on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)
- Note: the social media accounts are linked, so the same content will be shared across the three platforms.
- Julie asked if there are other platforms that are used in other countries, that we should consider. Please share ideas.
- Josefa stressed how important it is for us to use and support the Social Media initiative and asked for more volunteers to help due to the large amount of work.

d. IFLA Academy

- Plans are in the works to create a MOOC based on the updated Guidelines.
- Josefa has been in touch with IFLA Academy and is working with University of Spain.

- Josefa is designing courses at her work for new hires; this content and format can leveraged
- IFLA is very interested in this initiative!
- Next steps: We are to draft a proposal and submit to the Secretary General
- Please volunteer to support this work!

#### e. Guidelines

- Anoja (Chair of Division B) will help expedite its publication
- Sonia has an updated copy that considers IFLA's feedback, comments and reviews done by the SC members; final text is coming soon.
- Edward is formatting the text into the official format.
- IPU requires a new MOU that is in the process of being drafted.

#### 4. Other items of business

- Karin thanked Ellie for the piece she wrote about Donna and shared on our Listserv. It was beautiful, heartfelt and helped us to remember Donna.
- Note: Karel S., from the Czech Republic passed away from; Jennifer T. passed away; and Donna S. They will be remembered in the upcoming Newsletter.
- The Newsletter is coming soon, with new look.
- IFLA requires we update our Action Plan with the progress we have made, due March 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### 5. Next meeting and adjournment

The next meeting is To Be Announced.

The meeting adjourned at 1450 UTC.