



IFLA Section Science and Technology Libraries

Minutes of the Science and Technology Libraries
Section
Meeting
Teleconference (Zoom), 19, April 2023

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The following Agenda was confirmed for the meeting:

- I. Report from Patrick Section D Chair
- II. Section Update- New Members and What to Expect
- III. Officer Elections- Open Positions and How to Get Nominated
- IV. WLIC Program Update (Sandy in Julia's absence)
- V. Sub-Committee Reports (whoever is present)
- VI. Next Meeting Plan

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I. Report from Patrick Section D Chair

- A new tool for the action plans will be rolled out and presented at the next WLIC in Rotterdam. It's called Infinity and is databased. IFLA staff is already working with it.
- The switch towards an Open Access IFLA Journal is a slow progress, IFLA looks at business models and would like to stay with SAGE, but also looks into other publishers.
- On 1st of May the new members of the sections will be announced
- A lot of the WLIC program will be in hybrid mode. In principle all business meetings can be done hybrid. Also it is marked in the program, if the location is facilitating hybrid mode. If we have questions on this, we should ask Emmanuelle. The costs for the online participation will be out soon.

II. Section Update- New Members and What to Expect

We are expecting 9 new members (India, Mexico, South Africa, US, Fidj...). Our recruiting was very successful. According to Patrick, all of the new members are eligible for open officer's positions.

III. Officer Elections- Open Positions and How to Get Nominated

All three officer positions are open for election for 2023-2025 two year term: Chair, Secretary and Information officer. The information on the elections will be announced on basecamp soon. If you are interested to learn more about the work of the officers, please contact us.

IV. WLIC Program Update (Sandy in Julia's absence)

Up to now, we only received one submission (from the US). Deadline is April 24. We decided to extend the call. If you know someone who works in the field of citizen science, please share the call directly. Anna suggests that we should also share the call with public libraries, since they also work in the field of citizen science. Sandy adds that our colleague Lilliana might have contact with citizen scientists, she will get in touch with her. Anna said she would contact someone from LIBER to share the call. We were also wondering if there will be simultaneous translation available. Also we should ask IFLA HQ how many recordings we can include in the program, because videos on the work of citizen science might be very interesting. The provisional program is available here: <https://3.basecamp.com/3833672/buckets/22064612/vaults/6026271650>

IFLA HQ Updates: SCITECH was asked by IFLA to prepare an article on open access, which Julia, Marydee and Anna put together and which will be featured in the IFLA newsletter. This is a great promotion for our section. We are always happy to contribute.

V. Sub-Committee Reports (whoever is present)

A. Professional Development

Our Webinar on March 3rd had 5-6 participants. Manika said the time might not have been ideal, because it was midday on a work day in India. We should

maybe consider this next time. Sarah has already uploaded the video on our YouTube Channel <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2zgLG8vg0dY>

Anna suggests having the next Webinar on the topic of maker space. She would also already have a good speaker. The latter asks if he can also record the webinar because he feels uncomfortable live. Tara says she can help with speakers from this field. She suggests that we could even have a panel on this topic.

Kara, Manika and Anna designed and submitted a poster for the next WLIC.

B. Marketing and Outreach

Sarah reports that she supported the Outreach for the Webinar. Also she is wrapping up information for the next officer in order to have a smooth transition process. All minutes have been posted. She says sometimes documents which you upload do not show up online, so that a lot of communication with IFLA was necessary.

VI. Next Meeting Plan:

Next meeting will be on June 7, 12 EST / 6 PM CEST / 9.30 IST 9