



Bibliography Section

Minutes

Meeting I
August 13, 2005
Oslo, Norway

Attendees: (Members) D. Whitney Coe, Alan Danskin, Tuula Haapamaki, Randi Hansen, Agneta Holmenmark, Minoru Inahama (representing Yukio Yokoyama), Unni Knutsen, Christian Lupovici, Francisca Movilla, Bohdana Stoklasova, Alexandra Teplitskaya, Regina Varniene, Claudia Werner, Beacher Wiggins, and Maja Zumer
(Observers) Julianne Beall, Barbara Bell, John Byrum, Natalia Lelikova, and Dorothy McGarry

The meeting was chaired by outgoing chair, Bohdana Stoklasova.

New officers

The following were elected as officers for the next two years:

Chair: Unni Knutsen

Secretary: Beacher Wiggins. Due to the absence of the current secretary, Wiggins began immediately to perform secretary duties, taking notes to serve as minutes of Meetings I and II.

Treasurer: Beacher Wiggins

Information coordinator/communications/Newsletter editor: Claudia Werner. Knutsen and Wiggins will assist with the *Newsletter*, as appropriate.

Division IV Coordinating Board report

The chair reported on various activities and shared information related to the coming week's activities, programmes, meetings, events, and social functions of importance to members, current officers, and new officers. Dates, times, and venues were shared with attendees. Sections were reminded to make an open "call for papers and speakers" for their programmes, in an effort to make Section programmes more inclusive and open.

Section financial report

The chair, who also served as treasurer, reported on the status of the Section's finances. As of August 2005, **406** Euros remained in the Section's account. The main use of funds (**149** Euros) has been to cover *Newsletter* expenses. Discussion focused on how to ensure that a sufficient amount of funds be retained for the remaining issue of the *Newsletter*. The new chair will work to assure that there are funds for the next issue, working with the outgoing chair and the new editor to determine the amount that will be needed and to secure appropriate authorization for its use.

Varia

The minutes of the Section's meeting in Buenos Aires were formally approved.

Attendees made additional comments on the "Legal Deposit in Libraries" document sent to members earlier. The secretary will incorporate the comments and forward to IFLA headquarters by due date.

Bibliography Section Meeting II

Minutes

August 18, 2005

Attendees: (Members) D. Whitney Coe, Alan Danskin, Tuula Haapamaki, Randi Hansen, Agneta Holmenmark, Unni Knutsen, Christian Lupovici, Francisca Movilla, Bohdana Stoklasova, Alexandra Teplitskaya, Regina Varniene, Claudia Werner, Beacher Wiggins, and Maja Zumer

(Observers) Julianne Beall, Barbara Bell, Natalia Lelikova, Federica Paradisi, and Amadou Sidibe

The meeting was chaired by the new chair, Unni Knutsen.

Expressions of appreciation

Attendees signed a card of thanks to be sent to outgoing secretary Talbott Huey, who was unable to attend the Oslo meeting. The chair presented gifts expressing the Section's appreciation to outgoing chair, Bohdana Stoklasova, and outgoing member, Alan Danskin.

Evaluation of the Oslo Congress

The programs and presentations during the Congress were assessed to have been at a high level. Some members expressed disappointment that all the programs were clustered in one day; it was suggested that spreading the programmes over two days would offer attendees a chance to attend more of the programmes. Members registered some complaints: dissatisfaction with the services of Congrex, the organizing firm.

Confirmation of registration was problematic; having only fifteen computers for Internet access was judged to be clearly insufficient; logistical glitches were noted—attendees who did not check registration forms for various social events were not given tickets to attend the events. This was particularly galling, since registration covered attendance at the events.

Evaluation of the Section's programme

Attendance at the Section's programme was superb, with 180 counted in attendance. Members generally had a high assessment of the Section's programme and deemed it a success. Regina Varniene noted that she thought the programme did not deal equitably in assessing the efforts of some countries in addressing web harvesting. She thought that the analysis presented in the Section's survey results did not give fair coverage to all countries, favoring some over others that were making equally commendable strides.

The Section determined that the survey analysis presentation would be the paper submitted for publishing in the *IFLA Journal*. The second half of the Byrum presentation, with some minor tweaking, would be included in the Section's *Newsletter*. Varniene requested permission to publish the programme's papers, translated into Lithuanian. The chair stated that she would clear this request with IFLA Headquarters. [Approval was subsequently given for publishing any of the papers in translation.]

Update on Working Group on Electronic National Bibliographies

The WG chair, Maja Zumer, reported that the Classification and Indexing Section has revived a working group similar to WG on E-National Bibliographies. Although there is some overlap, the Bibliography Section can avoid duplication because the Bibliography Section is aware sufficiently early of the other working group. Zumer is to get an electronic version of the other working group's charge to share with the Bibliography Section. Zumer indicated that she would continue to maintain the WG listserv.

Section's Seoul programme

Various ideas were put forth for consideration in shaping the Section's programme in Seoul. Whitney Coe and Yukio Yokoyama were designated to cochair the programme. Coe proposed that the Section survey Asian countries, using a survey instrument similar to the survey used for South American countries for the Buenos Aires programme. Even though a survey may be done, it may not be necessary to present the survey results during the programme—the survey results might be used for the *Newsletter*. Alexandra Teplitskaya and Varniene agreed to check on the possibility of finding a presenter who could address the state of affairs in the five Asian countries that were a part of the former Soviet Union. The following was discussed as a possible programme outline:

- Korea: keynote presentation
- Japan: view from the Japanese perspective on how Japanese bibliographic data interface at the national and international levels—the challenges and issues

- China: same perspective as for Japan, from a Chinese vantage point
- Five former Asian Soviet Union countries: brief assessment of status of bibliographic control and national bibliographies

Section's Durban programme

The Section was delighted to have a colleague from Mali, Amadou Sidibe, present as an observer. He was asked about helping the Section by providing names of persons in Africa who could be contacted for presentations or other support for the Section's Durban programme. The secretary has Sidibe's business card with contact information for future reference.

Section's formal review

In approaching how the Section should prepare the review of its activities, the chair suggested that principles be emphasized, rather than specifics; should stress priorities and main actions that the Section has undertaken. The chair and the secretary agreed to focus on the Section review, taking this suggested approach. The deadline for submission to IFLA Headquarters is October 1.

In discussing the Section review, it was noted that the planned publication of the guidelines for preparing general and electronic national bibliographies is likely to be a source of revenue generation for IFLA. It was further noted that after such a publication is issued, the Section should seek IFLA funds to sponsor a conference or preconference to help countries that desire to apply the guidelines.

Section's Newsletter schedule

The Section will plan to prepare two issues of the *Newsletter* by the end of 2005.

Newsletter #1: The target date for the next issue is September. Content identified included a slightly revised version of the second half of the Byrum presentation.

Newsletter #2: The target date for the second issue is December. Possible content identified included a status of national bibliography/bibliographic control in Lithuania (Varniene) and Russia (Teplitskaya); a report from the Mali observer, Sidibe, on an African conference to be convened in fall 2005 that Sidibe mentioned during the meeting.

2006 schedule: The editor will recommend the schedule for 2006. For content, members were encouraged to consider preparing articles that described the status of bibliographic control/national bibliography in their countries or that described initiatives/projects or other matters that might be of interest to *Newsletter* readers.

• **Bibliography Section:** <http://www.ifla.org/VII/s12/index.htm>