



**IFLA Section
Science and
Technology Libraries**

Minutes of the Science and Technology Libraries
Section
Meeting
Teleconference (Zoom), 25, July 2022

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Guests:

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The following Agenda was confirmed for the meeting:

- I. Welcome Guests and Quick Round Round of Introductions
- II. Approval of the Agenda
- III. Meeting Minutes & Meeting Recording from Pre-WLIC meeting July 6th still pending
- IV. IFLA Division D updates from July 19th, 2022

- V. IFLA Professional Council Updates Shared at WLIC's Officer's Briefing July 25, 2022
8:30 am
- VI. Review of Section Action Plan with Sub-Committee Insights
 - A. Action Plan Document ([link here](#))
 - B. WLIC Program Latest (Julia)
 - C. Marketing and Outreach Sub-Committee (Sarah or Sandy)
 - D. Professional Development Sub-Committee (Manika/Kara)
- VII. Discussion/Brainstorming WLIC 2023 program ideas ([linked here](#))
- VIII. Any other business?
- IX. Reminder of Future Meeting
 - A. Post WLIC meeting still TBA- possible Wednesday, August 31st same time 12 noon EST/9 am PST/ 6 pm CEST/9:30 pm IST via Zoom

[Link to Presentation Slides](#)

- I. Welcome
Sandy welcomes the section members.
- II. Approval of the Agenda
Agenda is approved ([linked here](#))
- III. Approval of Minutes from July 6 Section Meeting (still pending)
- IV. IFLA Division D updates from July 19th, 2022
Patrick reports that the reasons for terminating the contract with the General Secretary include poor conflict management and poor working atmosphere. Many of the other reasons cannot yet be made public because it is an ongoing legal case. It is very likely that the contract cannot be terminated before October. IFLA HQ regrets the lack of transparency, but further information on this will only be available at the next General Assembly. On Basecamp there is a letter from the European Council about this.

IFLA Structure: new ideas are working groups and networks, please join the session on Wednesday 27 July

Working Groups (WG) can be used e.g. to prepare / to form a SIG (after 4 years a WG becomes a SIG)

Networks operate across sections and regional councils for questions such as Open Access or ebook lending. Additionally the SIG election process will be simplified.

Tools for managing the action plans are searched for. Members are invited to share ideas on basecamp. Marydee suggests looking for commercial tools. The tool should make connections and relations between action plans / topics etc. visible and the whole process should be simplified.

V. Officers Briefing (Margret)

Elections will be held again next year for the positions of Chairs, Secretaries and Information Officers. In October prof. Unit members will receive detailed information on their committee member terms.

Next year's WLIC will be in Rotterdam and it will be a hybrid conference. Satellites can only take place in the Netherlands, Luxembourg or Belgium NOT in Germany (as published incorrectly)

Margret reports that a couple of questions were discussed in smaller groups such as: how to motivate all members to cooperate so that the work can be shared fairly. Ideas included:

- one - to - one conversations
- Pair new members with old members
- Cooperation with new professional unit
- Assign tasks to members who haven't participated yet, ask what would be of interest to them

WLIC in 2024 will definitely not take place in Europe, but the place is not set yet

VI. Sub-Committees Update

A. Professional Development Sub-Committee (Manika/Kara)

Kara reported that in total 5 workshops have already been held. The topics were in the area of Carpentries. The participation was very good. There was a learning curve in the implementation, e.g. IFLA Guidelines, staff helped to make things work. Kara invites all of the members to participate in the meetings of the subcommittee.

B. WLIC Program Sub-Committee (Julia)

Julia is hoping that all 3 speakers will show up (South Africa/Kenya, Columbia/Spain, Mexico). Some of the speakers had visa problems. The slides have been deposited. Julia prepared evaluation sheets, which will be distributed before the session starts.

C. Marketing and Outreach Sub-Committee (Sarah)

- Marketing for the Webinars on all social media channels
- Marketing for WLIC Programme also on all of our social media channels
- Sarah asks to please send her from WLIC whatever members would like to have shared on social media.

VII. Discussion/Brainstorming WLIC 2023 program ideas ([linked here](#))

Please share your ideas in the above linked document, where also suggestions from the evaluation sheets will flow in.

Satellites could be in Amsterdam (Marydee says she has a couple of connections).
Potential topics could be AI, DataScience

First Margret has agreed to take over the responsibility for the planning of the satellite.
Afterwards Marydee asked to take over this topic, which was gladly accepted.

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

Things are going well, we have achieved a lot in the last few month

IX. Any other business to discuss?

Is Wordly available for the Webinars? Yes, budget is available. If we need it for a webinar, we should follow up with Megan.

Maybe we need to switch from Sandy's Zoom to an official IFLA Zoom account. Sandy will clarify this.

X. Reminder of Future Meetings- Every 3 months, same day & time.

Next meeting: Wednesday August 31st same time 12 noon EST/9 am PST/ 6 pm
CEST/9:30 pm IST via Zoom