



AGENDA

1. **Welcome** (members in attendance)
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3. **Adoption of the minutes of 9th of July meeting**
4. **Message from Jan Richards – Division E Chair**
5. **IFLA elections** : follow up and standing committee officer elections
6. **WLIC 2021** : follow up
 - Global functioning
 - School Libraries online session : date and hour
 - Sessions of interest
7. **Information Literacy & School Libraries joint webinar** : work group follow up (Jing, Marios, Hans- Petter and Luisa)
8. **IFLA/IASL joint committee** :
 - Global functioning : memorandum of understanding
 - Appointment
9. **IASL collaboration**
10. **IFLA/DeGruyter publications** : call for papers – follow up
11. **School libraries section** : annual report and action plan
12. **WLIC Business Meeting #2** : date to fix
13. **Varia**

MINUTES

Attendance:

IFLA SLS Members: “Maya” Mayasari Abdulmajid (Malaysia), Albert Boekhorst (Brazil), Valerie Byrd-Fort (USA), Liselott Drejstam (Sweden), Beatrice Eleuteri (Italy), Karen Gavigan (USA), Valérie Glass (France), Rei Iwasaki (Japan), Melissa Johnston (USA), Vanja Jurilj (Croatia), Luisa Marquardt (Italy), Alejandro Micalucci (Argentina), Irina Nehme (Germany), Fumie Niwai (Japan), Ivanka Stričević (Croatia), “Bella” Jing Zhang (China), Teresa Quick (USA), Hans-Petter Storemyr (Norway), Darryl Toerien (UK), Marios Zervas (Cyprus).

IASL Observers/Guests: Kolawole Akinjide Aramide (Nigeria), Sevgi Arioglu (Turkey), Raman Deep (IASL ISLM Committee Chair), Meghan Harper (USA), Kay Hones (USA), Chhavi Jain (India), Antonija Lujanac (Croatia), Katy Manck (IASL President, USA), Sarah Pavey (UK), Jerry Mathema (Zimbabwe), Abha Singh (India).

1. **Opening – Welcome** - The Chair Valérie Glass welcomes the IFLA School Libraries Section Members and IASL Observers/Guests, as above mentioned (in alphabetical order). The 1st Business Meeting of the IFLA School Library Section is held virtually on August 16, 2021, and hosted on Teams by Luisa Marquardt who agreed to be appointed to take the meeting minutes.
2. **Adoption of the agenda** – The Agenda sent by the Chair was approved and adopted.
3. **Adoption of the minutes of 9th of July meeting** – The minutes sent by the Chair were approved.
4. **Message from Jan Richards – Division E Chair** – The Chair informed the participants that the SL Section is now under the Division E and shared the welcome video-message by its Chair, Jan Richards.
5. **IFLA elections:** follow up and standing committee officer elections. Valérie Glass was confirmed as the Chair and Darryl Toerien as the Secretary; Teresa Quick was elected as the new Information Coordinator. Following the resignation by Darryl Toerien, nominations for the Secretary position are still open (until today Au. 16); Luisa Marquardt has agreed to serve the Section in this role and, in case there are no other candidates, her election will be formalized in the 2nd BM. The IFLA website will be updated in early September with the new members.
6. **WLIC 2021:** follow up.
 - Global functioning : the conference will take place during 3 full days on different time zones and will offer sessions and talks from IFLA (president....etc)
 - School Libraries online session: date and hour – Aug. 16, 14:45-15:30 (Paris time).
 - Sessions of interest: Opening Ceremony and other sessions related to media and information literacy. Concerns were expressed about having the conference held around mid-August, when many are still on vacation, and for not having the Sections' Business Meetings listed in the WLIC 2021 program, while this would be very useful both for informing IFLA Members who can have an interest in one or more Sections, and for attracting those who are not IFLA Members.
7. **Information Literacy & School Libraries joint webinar:** work group follow up (Jing, Marios, Hans-Petter and Luisa) - 6 authors out of 16 confirmed their availability and will submit their full paper at early September. A new joint meeting will be held on the 10th of September to determine the final program of the Joint Meeting, to be held the last week of October (during the ISLM and the Unesco Global MIL Week 24-31 Oct.).
8. **IFLA/IASL joint committee :**
 - Global functioning: Melissa Johnston reported on how hard retrieving information about this item was. Originally the Joint Committee was made up by six members (three for each association), with the President/Chair and Information Officer/Coordinator by law. Currently there are five members from the IASL and five members from the IFLA School Library Standing Committee, for a total of 10 members, according to the following *"Terms of office: Members shall be appointed for a term of four years; however when the governing bodies seek to establish an overlap of terms, they may appoint members for less than four years."*

There is no specification about the duration of the role and Katy Manck suggests that “two terms in a row” should be added. Ivanka Stricevic suggests to specify how often the MoU is to be reviewed and the type of representation. As specified by Luisa Marquardt, the IFLA SLS and the IASL agreed to collaborate and the first Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed in 2006 in Lisbon; it was renewed in Abano Terme/Padova (Italy) in September 2009; it was actually put in place right after the 38th IASL Conference, through the first Joint Book Project that lead to the IFLA Publication “Global Perspectives on School Libraries: Projects and Practices”. The actual roster can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3h1DcJy>.

- Appointment: No appointment was made because of the revision of the MOU which should be approved before appointment.

9. IASL collaboration proposal: Lesley Farmer (IASL SIG Coordinator) has proposed to develop guidelines for Educating School Librarians. The SL education and training programs vary from a country to another, according to legal and educational frameworks. It’s not an easy task, but could be useful to have such a resource. More details are needed and the proposal will be discussed at the next BM.

10. IFLA School Libraries Manifesto: update. The draft of the new SL Manifesto, sent confidentially to the IFLA SLS Members, will be discussed at next meeting in September; in the meantime the Section Members are invited to have a close look at the draft and submit comments or corrections (if any). Thanks were expressed.

11. IFLA/DeGruyter publications: call for papers - follow up.

The Chair informs the audience that Dianne Oberg and Barbara Schultz-Jones sent the results of the proposals’ selection for chapters to be included in the joint book on “Inquiry-based Learning”. The chapters will be “camera ready” for mid-October and the book will be ready for next summer: a session on the book, organized by the Section with some of the authors of the chapters, could be held in the IFLA WLIC 2022 in Dublin.

12. Midyear meeting 2022: update Darryl Toerien – The next Mid-year Meeting might be held in Guernsey or London: this is to be confirmed early September by DT. In case this is not possible, Luisa Marquardt confirms her availability to host the meeting (in presence, virtual or hybrid mode, according to the sanitary situation, right before or after the Bologna Children’s Book Fair in March or around the 23rd of April, the Unesco World Book Day, that is well celebrated in Italy (and other countries) with a rich program of events.

13. School libraries section: annual report and action plan.

The Action Plan 2020/2021 was sent by the Chair in July. The Chair invites the Section Members to have a closer look at the actual Action Plan and submit proposals to be discussed at the next Section BM in September. Luisa Marquardt suggests to have the Agenda 2030 SDGs included in the Action Plan: research findings, projects and practices about the Agenda 2030 implementation could be collected for a publication and/or a training session or meetings.

14. WLIC Business Meeting #2 : date to fix – The BM#2 will be held in a date between Sept. 10-15 (after the joint meeting with the IL Section and before the deadline set by the IFLA).

15. Varia – Observers and new members of the section (Maya, Abha, Jerry and others) expressed their appreciation for the meeting and would like to discuss further topics about school librarianship (not only cataloguing or indexing, as it is in many courses and meetings). Luisa

and Albert expressed their appreciation to the IASL President and the IASL 2021 Team for the IASL virtual conference, that was very well organized and whose platform is very functional.

End of meeting

No other issues are to be discussed. The Chair expressed her thanks and appreciation. The meeting ended at 16:00 (Paris time).

Rome, Aug. 16, 2021.