



## Academic and Research Libraries Standing Committee

<b>Minutes - Session #1</b>		Saturday, August 16 2014, 13:15-14:45
<p><b><u>Attending:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Committee Members</u></b>            Vicki McDonald (Chair)            Mimi Calter (Secretary)            Janet Fletcher            Andreas Degkwitz            Susan Gibbons            Eliz State            Mike Berrington            Gulcin Cribb            Kate Cushon            Adelaida Ferrer Torrens            Leo Ma            Marc Martinez            James Neal            Reggie Raju            Oarabile Rakgamanyane            Deena Yanofsky            Rafael Ball            Ane Landoy            Joyce Chen</p> <p><b><u>Apologies for Non-Attendance:</u></b>            Luisa Buison            Xiaolin Zhang            Andrew McDonald            Jarmo Saarti            Allison Dolland            Carol Ann Hughes</p>		<p><b><u>Observers</u></b>            Olive Adjah            Michele Ankouna            Ngozi Ukachi            Victoria Volkanova            Soleil Phen            Boffy Francois-Xavier            Lynn Jibril            Zhong Yongheng            Evelin Morganthaon            AbdulRahman Al-Kredens            Fatma Al Mannci            Gihan Mohsen Baraka            Annette Marines            Regaine Alcanta Elil            Judith Hannoun            Karen Downing            Noemie Husnik            Cordie Dunan-Vauchelles            Adjoa Baateng            Ellen Ibe            Pateka Ntsaushthed-Matshaya            Anna-Maria Papanikitas            Marianne Defaat</p>
<p><b>Meeting called to order</b> at 12.40 on August 14, 2014.</p>		
<b>ITEM</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vicki McDonald welcomed the committee members and acknowledged the many observers</li> <li>• Committee members introduced themselves briefly</li> <li>• The proposed agenda was adopted</li> <li>• Minutes from the 2013 meeting were approved (moved: Gulcin Crib, seconded: James Neal)</li> </ul>		
<p><b>6. REPORTS FROM ARL OFFICERS</b></p>		
<b>6.1</b>	<p><b>Divisional Leadership Training</b></p>	

	<p>Vicki McDonald provided a summary of the comments at the morning's leadership training program. The key areas of discussion were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IFLA is initiating discussion of a new Strategic Plan</li> <li>• Committees are strongly encouraged to develop an action plan (see below), to prepare an annual report, and to focus on communications</li> <li>• Committees are encouraged to look for ways to remain active throughout the year, not just around the conference</li> <li>• IFLA will be rolling out the Lyon Declaration on Monday. Focus is on the role of libraries in supporting development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Sections will be asked to encourage signing and also to develop short briefs demonstrating the roles libraries already play</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The call for nominations for election to standing committees will come out in October</li> </ul>	<p>All members will encourage their organizations to sign the declaration</p> <p>Ane Landoy and Vicki McDonald will develop a brief</p>
<p><b>6.2</b></p>	<p><b>Action Plan</b></p> <p>A draft action plan was circulated to the committee in advance of the meeting. The group supported the draft overall, but wants to see the following additions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incorporate the goal of keeping the committee active throughout the year</li> <li>• Add a response to the trend report</li> <li>• Add a response to the Lyon Declaration</li> <li>• Add a note that the grant program will be continuing beyond the current year</li> </ul>	<p>Janet Fletcher and Gulcin Cribb will revise the Action Plan</p>
<p><b>6.3.i</b></p>	<p><b>Report on Section Activities</b></p> <p>Reports from the Chair and Secretary, and from the Communications Officer were distributed to the committee in advance. The officers briefly reviewed those reports and opened the floor for discussion.</p> <p>There was interest in creating a Facebook group for the team.</p> <p>The group discussed ways to maintain activity on the discussion list throughout the year (See below).</p>	<p>Janet Fletcher will develop a Facebook site for the standing committee</p>
<p><b>6.3.ii</b></p>	<p><b>Financial Report</b></p> <p>The committee hasn't requested any funds, and hasn't spent any money. Vicki McDonald reminded the group that project funds are available to request, and proposals for projects are always welcome.</p>	<p>None</p>
<p><b>6.3.iii</b></p>	<p><b>Attendance Grant</b></p> <p>Ane Landoy reported on the success of the attendance grant. This year we had 91 applicants, a record number.</p> <p>The grant announcement is now part of a larger IFLA website listing such grants, so it is more widely known. There is also a ceremony that gives greater visibility to the grant.</p> <p>Ane thanked all committee members who worked on the grant this year,</p>	<p>Assignments for 2015 to be made at the second committee meeting</p>

	<p>particularly those involved with securing sponsorship.</p> <p>Assignments for the 2015 grant will be made at the committee's second session.</p>	
<b>7. ORGANIZATION OF ARL SESSIONS IN LYON</b>		
<b>7.1</b>	<p><b>Joint Session</b></p> <p>Planning for this year's session has gone well. Susan Gibbons noted that it takes a lot of work to coordinate the joint session. This is particularly because activities must be coordinated between committees, and roles are not always clear. The committee agreed that keeping the joint session is worth the effort, as it allows the committee to put on two programs. We will endeavor to coordinate more effectively with partners in the future.</p> <p>Also, the fact that speakers are invited but are not sponsored for attendance means that speakers can feel less of a sense of obligation than they might at other conferences. Jim Neal suggested that the group consider a call for papers, which is common. Several members noted that the call for papers would generate work on its own. The group agreed that a hybrid process, with a call for papers being taken on if the invite process does not go well, could be effective.</p>	Vicki McDonald will seek partners for a joint session next year
<b>7.2</b>	<p><b>Hot Topics</b></p> <p>Gulcin Cribb feels we have a good group for this year's session, which is focused on change management. She notes that she will need to be fierce in disciplining use of time during the session</p> <p>Ane Landoy noted that more and more sessions are following the Hot Topics format, pointing to the success of the model.</p>	None
<b>7.3</b>	<p><b>Awards Session</b></p> <p>The session will be on Tuesday, immediately following the joint session. Everyone is invited to attend.</p>	None
<b>8. PLANNING FOR SESSIONS IN CAPE TOWN</b>		
<b>8.1</b>	<p><b>Regional Reports</b></p> <p>Committee members submitted themes in advance for review. Members briefly summarized the information that they submitted, and provided some additional detail</p>	None
<b>8.2</b>	<p><b>Identify Session Themes</b></p> <p>Based on the issues identified in the regional reports the group discussed the appropriate areas of focus for 2015's presentation sessions. Key areas of focus identified from the regional reports were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research data/data management/data curation</li> <li>• Digitization &amp; digital preservation</li> <li>• Digital humanities</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open access</li> <li>• Demonstrating value/metrics/funding</li> <li>• E-resources, repositories &amp; licensing</li> <li>• Training and roles for librarians</li> <li>• Copyright</li> <li>• Role of librarian in teaching and learning</li> <li>• Budget constraints</li> </ul> <p>The group decided on <b>Value</b> as the over-arching theme – super-convergence and proving your worth. How do we explain the value proposition when you can't assume it's the physical presence of the books. Link with continuous education and with training.</p> <p>The group briefly discussed options for partnerships in a joint session. This will be revisited in the second session.</p>	
	<p><b>Encouraging Year-round Participation</b></p> <p>The group supports this concept strongly, though concern was raised that Division 1 committees can have difficulty identifying issues for focus. Several ideas were considered feasible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Post a monthly provocative question that members can respond to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Possible to use the Hot Topics presentations as a source for these questions</li> <li>○ Possible to use the Trends Report as a source for questions</li> <li>○ Regions or individuals can be made responsible for posting one month out of the year</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Sharing of virtual sessions (like what we did with Andrew Wells)</li> <li>• Create of working groups that could post information to the blogs or the website</li> <li>• Members should publish information about what is happening in their local area</li> <li>• Webinars – try to do a webinar per hot topic, either before or after the congress discussion</li> </ul>	<p>Vicki McDonald &amp; Mimi Calter will develop a rotation of responsibilities for posting questions ; Jim Neal will be first on the rotation</p>
<b>11. MEETING CLOSE</b>		
	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 14:48.</p>	