

LIBRARY SERVICES TO MULTICULTURAL POPULATIONS

Gothenburg 2010 Standing Committee Meeting I, II

SC I: SC I: Tuesday 10th of August, 9-16
Place: Västra Götaland Regional Library
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Chair: Mijin Kim

Attendees: Mijin Kim, Volker Pirsich, Flemming Munch, Ayub Khan, Ann-Katrin Ursberg, Yasuko Hirata, Fred Gitner, Olga Fernandez, Ruth Fassbinder, Anne Kristin Undlien, Lorlene Roy, Susy Tastesen, Steve Stratton, Kirsten Leth Nielsen, Oksana Chuvilskaya, Susana Alegre Landáburu

Apologies: Tess Tobin, Robert Pestell, Ariel Lebowitz, Vickery Bowles, Jane Pyper, Jack Leong, Anne Hall, Svetlana Gorokhova, Lourina K. de Voogd,

Visitors: Clara M. Chu, Maria Kozlova (Department of Inter-regional communications, Nekrasov Moscow Municipal Library), Ingrid Atlestam (Regional Consultant, Sweden), Lisbeth Stenberg (Regional Consultant, Sweden), Rhandi Myhre (project manager, Sweden), Bengt Källgren (Regional librarian, Sweden), Ian Stringer (Public Libraries Section)

Reporter: Susana Alegre Landáburu
Date: October 7th 2010

1. Welcome, apologies and practical information

The Regional Librarian, Bengt Källgren thanked and welcomed us to the library.

Ingrid Atlestam and Lisbeth Stenberg presented the *Interlingual Library* project:
www.esf.se/sv/Rotsida-for-topmeny/In-english/

Rhandi Myhre presented *Libraries for all. ESME. (European Strategy for Multicultural Education)*, part of the Grundtvig Programme.
www.librariesforall.eu/

Mijin opened the session and thanked the library for hosting us. She gave a special thanks to the Gothenburg organising Committee for arranging the conference in just a year. Mijin welcomed all members and also all guests. She gave apologies from absent members and gave some practical information.

2. Document check

Copies of agenda and other documents were circulated.

3. Approval of agenda

Mijin changed the sequence of points in the agenda where necessary.

4. Following up Minutes from SC Midyear Meeting in Moscow

http://www.ifla.org/files/library-services-to-multicultural-populations/Minutes/Moscow_minutes2010.pdf

Moscow minutes were approved without comment.

5. Chair's report

Mijin reported on the Leadership Forum held the day before and told us about the conference tracks that have been established this year. They want some input on this so we will send feedback and let them know under which track our programme for 2011 will be.

A new format is being looked for the Congress. 2013 will be the first of the new schedules. In 2013, the new 7-year cycle for where the conference will be located will start. 2013 will be in Asia/Oceania and 2014 in Europe. The new procedure will be more transparent.

Mijin also reported on the review made on satellite meetings requirements:

- location must be close to the main congress location (within the country, or within 3 hours travel time, airport to airport, or 6 hours, city centre to city centre)
- there must not be more than 2 free days between the general conference and the satellite
- It must be organised by IFLA units, though they may also have co-organisers such as local hosts or other independent or international bodies (in this last case the PC will have to approve it)

A discount for joint attendance will be discussed. Satellite meeting finances will also be discussed.

IFLA is in negotiation with different PCOs (Professional Conference Organisation) for the organisation of next congresses from 2013 on. IFLA will take back a lot of the organisation. This fall they will make a final decision.

For the elections, a new roles and responsibilities for officers document is being produced, we will send feedback on it.

Also there is a new strategic plan to which all sections have to take into account when making their own.

She encouraged attendance to the session on Haiti, focus will be on specific projects.

The wonderful midyear meeting we had in Moscow is remembered and Mijin thanks our Russian colleagues for all the work.

6. Secretary and treasurer's report

The secretary and treasurer's report was given. We revised the work schedule and the state of the Section's finances.

7. Membership, Elections and Appointments of Corresponding Members

This fall is time for nominations for IFLA Sections, as 2011 is an election year.

We have to check if the members who are finishing their first term will be renominated: Volker, Tess, Ariel, Ayub, Flemming, Svetlana and Susana.

Our outgoing members, after completing two terms, will be Yasuko, Robert and Ann Katrin.

Yasuko has been looking for another Japanese librarian to replace her but has not been able to find anyone. Perhaps she could stay as corresponding member.

We have received interest from a couple of people. Volker has contacts from Israel and South Korea. María Pérez, from Norway –she has Kirsten's former position- will be nominated.

Perhaps Maria from Russia could be nominated as well.

We also talked about getting more institutional and association members for the raising of our administrative money budget.

We discussed possible corresponding members

We reappointed Loriene as the SIG convenor.

We decided to talk to Jack about the listserv to get an update.

We discussed possible chair and secretary for the next two years. We will receive instructions on how to proceed for the elections but probably we will need to know of possible candidates by this fall.

2011 will also be a election year for Division Chairs and Professional Committee Chair. Call for nominations will be distributed this fall.

8. Gothenburg Conference Program

We went through all the sessions our Section participated in this year: our two joint sessions, the UNESCO session and the SIG session. Fred will report back to Jack so that he can do his job as information officer.

Volker reported they had a good range of papers for the joint session with Reading and Literacy while they did not receive so many for the joint session with Children and Young Adults.

Loriene explained the work done during the year by the 5 task forces created in the Indigenous Matters SIG and what the session will be like. Jack has taken also the role of the SIG web editor and has already started working on their webpage. The Facebook group already has 321 people in it.

We also commented on the poster session since some of our members would be presenting as well.

9. Section dinner

We will have our Section dinner on Saturday at Dinner22, near the Conference center.

10. Post Conference, Copenhagen. Status

Susy told us on the organisation of our satellite meeting in Copenhagen. Registration had been a success, with near 100 participants. There will also be some students who had been awarded grants to attend by the Danish organisers. Simona Marilena Bursasiu from Romania, who translated the manifesto into Romanian, and could also be a member of the Section next year, is one of them.

11. The Multicultural Library Manifesto. Status. Future strategies

Kirsten tell us on the status of the manifesto. It has been finally approved as the minutes of the UNESCO General Conference last October 1009 have been approved. This is the link: <http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0018/001864/186470e.pdf>

Kirsten and Mijin will have a meeting with Stuart during the Conference to perhaps establish a training model for the Manifesto, and will be working on it for the next few months. We still need permission from UNESCO to use the logo, etc.

We will check which languages are official in UNESCO. Ruth will try to get translations into Tamil, Serbian and Turkish, and Kirsten into Arabic.

Susy will contact the Chinese Language Center.

A working group for the next steps of the Manifesto is established: Mijin, Olga, Anne Kristin and Volker are its members. They will make a plan for the Section to discuss at our midyear meeting. We have 300 euros for marketing and distribution

12. Proposals for midyear meeting in 2011.

We have two, one from Seville and one from Alexandria.

Ann Katrin told us about Alexandria, she had a contact she met in Palermo who invited us to have our meeting there. That person has moved abroad but someone else is in charge now. There were no details yet, but there was a real will to host us. Perhaps we could include a study tour to Cairo.

Olga tells us about her proposal for Seville, that could include study visits to Granada or Huelva. The Fundación Tres Culturas, where Olga works, will host our meeting and they have different proposals and a budget for it.

We decide to choose one of the proposals by September for 2011 and the other one for 2012. We need to have a minimum of 8 people attending for us to hold the midyear meeting.

13. IFLA San Juan 2011

The Information Literacy had approached us for a joint session next year. A working group was set: Steven, Loriene and Tess will be in charge of next year's session.

14. New York Library Tour 2011.

The working group told us what they had been planning. Sunday after the IFLA Conference could be the arrival day, Monday and Tuesday would be for the actual visits. We discussed several possibilities for the studytour and libraries to visit.

We will try to compile pictures from the history of the Section. Tess and Susana will be in charge of it.

15. Guidelines

We discussed having a summary in our last meeting in Moscow, so it could be easier to have it translated into more languages, as the full version is quite long. We have 900 euros allocated.

Robert will be doing the summary and creating a plan for it. Ann Katrin, Yasuko and Ayub will assist in it.

16. Recruitment Strategy Update

Steve volunteered to revise it. All members should send comments to him before the end of October. We should have a final copy for Puerto Rico.

Reviewing our project to have the guidelines translated into Arabic, Ayub volunteered to find a translator to have them translated before December. If not, Kirsten might also find someone.

17. Special Interest Group on Indigenous Matters.

In 2002 IFLA published a Statement on Indigenous Knowledge. We will request IFLA HQ for the history of this document. We discussed the procedure for our SIG to eventually become a Section.

18. Strategic Plan

IFLA has just published its new strategic plan 2010-2015. Sections now have to identify a number of 1-3 actions linking to the Priority Activities.

Mijin & Susana will adapt the new Section's action plan to it as requested. Mijin, Susana, Ann Katrin and Kirsten will revise the Section's mission

19. Upcoming projects

We plan to identify by October/November if we have need to apply for projects money.

20. Marketing material (bags, t-shirts etc)

Susy shows us the USBs with our documents inside and the pens.

21. Newsletter Management and Redesign

The working group will redesign it and present the new one at midyear meeting. We will have a regular feature on what the committee is doing. Volker proposed that the newsletter had a mixture of contents and politics. We also discussed the possibility to have each issue dedicated to a country or to feature 5/6 countries each issue

22. Section information and communication matters

Susana read the information officer report that Jack had sent.

For our next newsletter we agreed to submit to Susana before the end of November:

- Article on the Swedish projects
- Article on election year: Volker
- Article on Gothenburg sessions: Susana
- SIG Column: Loriene
- Article on Copenhagen Conference: Susy
- A participant experience in Copenhagen Conference: Anne Kristin
- New York study tour: Fred
- Article on Puerto Rico Conference: Tess, Steve and Loriene
- Japan Conference: Yasuko
- Assile: Ann Kristin

Fred will help with the editing of the texts, we will get him in contact with Vickery and Tina.

Section's brochure: a working group (Ayub, Volker, Yasuko and Susana) will propose a redesign at midyear meeting.

23. Selection of Best Paper

The Committee will decide on the best paper for each session to submit to the IFLA Journal for consideration.

24. AOB

There will be a session for the Bill and Melinda Gates Award.
We need to reach 80 members for us to double our administrative money.
We will send the ESME Manual to the section members and those members who want to comment on it will send their remarks to them (as members, not as a group)