



**IFLA NEWSPAPERS SECTION**  
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NS2005/3

## Minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Business Meeting (Parts I & II)

**Part I held at the Radisson SAS Hotel, Saturday 13 August 2005 at 1430**

**Part II held at the Christiania Hotel, Friday 19 August 2005 at 1400.**

### 1. Introductions

The chairman welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

Present: Hartmut Walravens (Chair: Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin; Edmund King (Secretary; British Library Newspapers); Majlis Bremer-Laamanen (Helsinki University Library/National Library of Finland); Marie-Therese Varlamoff (IFLA-PAC); Else Delaunay (Bibliothèque Nationale de France); Henry Snyder (University of California, Riverside USA); Georgia Higley (Library of Congress, USA); Geoffrey Hamilton (Scotland, UK); Johnny Edvardsen (National Library of Norway); Sharon Clark (University of Illinois, USA); Maria Luisa Cabral (National Library of Portugal); Erling Midtgaard Hanssen (State and University Library, Århus, Denmark); Pär Nilsson (The Royal Library, National Library of Sweden); Elena Garcia-Puente Lillo (Biblioteca Nacional, Spain); Ana Carillo Pozas (Biblioteca Nacional, Spain);

Observers: Johann Mannerheim (Royal Library National Library of Sweden); Graziano Krätli (Yale University Library); Tatjana Lorkovic (Yale [UniversityUniversity](#) Library);

### 2. Apologies for Absence

Sandra Burrows (National Library of Canada); James Simon (Centre for Research Libraries); Henry Snyder (University of California, Riverside)

### 3. Approval of Agenda.

The agenda was approved.

### 4. The Minutes of the Meeting/Matters Arising

4a. [22nd22nd](#) Business Meeting. [National Library of Australia](#)(NS [2005/2](#)). The minutes were approved.

4b. Newspapers Strategic Plan (NS 2005/1) The plan was reviewed, at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Business Meeting. The amended Plan will be sent to IFLA HQ.

**Action: Edmund King**

### 5. Election of Officers.

Nominations were sought from Committee. None was offered. Dr. Hartmut Walravens and Mr. Edmund King had been nominated as Chair and Secretary of the Section. Sandra Burrows was nominated as the Section Information Co-Ordinator. These Nominations were **confirmed** by Committee. HQ to be notified. **Action: Edmund King.**

### 6. Election of Section Committee Members

All of those present are to be placed on the circulation list of the Section. For practical purposes, those present could be considered as Standing Committee Members. It was agreed to check the status of Standing Committee Members with Sjoerd Koopman. **Action: Hartmut Walravens.** The list of current members would also be obtained from HQ. **Action: Edmund King**

## 7. IFLA Conference Programmes

**7a. IFLA Buenos Aires. Session 76 newspapers of Latin America, 23rd of August 2004.** Over 110 delegates had attended this session and the papers are on IFLANET at:

<http://www.ifla.org/VII/s39/39pconf.htm>

Henry Snyder was thanked for securing the speakers of this session.

**7b. International Newspapers Conference, NLA, 22-24 February 2005.** The Chairman thanked all NLA colleagues who had worked hard to prepare the conference. The papers are available at:

<http://www.nla.gov.au/initiatives/meetings/newspapers/abstracts.html>

**7c. IFLA Satellite Meeting, Artic Circle Conservation Colloquium 10-11 August 2005, Mo i Rana Norway.** This meeting took place just before IFLA Oslo. There were 27 participants, and the event had run very well. Thanks were expressed to Jonny Edvardsen and Majlis Bermer-Laamanen for their work in organising the Colloquium.

**7d. IFLA Oslo: Open Programme at General Conference on the theme:**

*Newspaper Digitisation Projects. Developments in the online availability of older newspapers.*

Session 97: <http://www.ifla.org/IV/ifla71/Programme.htm> It was noted at the SC meeting of the 19 August that 143 delegates had attended. The papers were commended by members of the audience and the 20 minutes of questions provided further information about the papers.

**7e. Proposed 2006 Conference in the USA on the theme: *Digital Newspaper Projects in the Americas.*** The University of Utah has agreed to act as the host. The likely date for the conference is the **17-22 May 2006.**

- NDNP participants will be welcome, and may hold their meeting on the 19 May.
- The 24<sup>th</sup> Newspapers Section Business meeting will be held on Tuesday 16 May 2006.
- The conference organisers will see if a keynote speaker can be secured from the Newspaper Industry.
- Accommodation is likely to be at the University of Utah hotel.
- A limit of up to 100 participants is necessary.
- IFLA Newspaper Section delegates will be expected to focus their papers on: 1. current digitization in their country 2. co-operative efforts 3. developments in newspaper publications in their country
- Papers may be put up on the University of UTAh website, and on IFLANET.
- Papers may also be published in print form

More details of the Conference will be announced by Christmas 2005. **Action: Georgia Higley and Sandra Burrows.**

**7f. IFLA 72nd General Conference, Seoul, Korea.** Ed King reported that he had made initial contacts regarding speakers for an open session on the theme "Newspaper Projects in East Asia".

**7g. Possible Meetings, 2007.**

- The likelihood of holding in Latin America a spring Section Business meeting in 2007 to be explored. **Action Edmund King and Henry Snyder.**
- The Secretary to explore the possibility of cooperation for a meeting in 2007 before IFLA Durban with Preservation and Conservation and Rare Books Sections. **Action: Edmund King**

## 8. Projects

**8a. Survey of Newspapers in Africa.** Else Delaunay tabled papers at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting, relating to the latest work on this survey; it was mainly carried out in Francophone African countries. 125 questionnaires had been circulated; 44 replies had been received. This second round of work has yielded more precise needs from African countries, with priorities stated for up to three most important newspaper titles in each country.

A meeting had been held in June in the British Library to progress matters. More work had been done by Geoffrey Hamilton and Else Delaunay since February. This determined which titles are on film and which will need new filming.

Further decisions still needed to be made within a project planning framework:

- How to ensure complete runs of newspapers for filming.
- Secure copyright permission for filming.
- Ask relevant national library if it will keep positive copies of newspaper microfilm.
- To film all title changes.
- Secure an estimated cost of filming each title.
- Look at potential companies who could do the filming work.
- Decide who will own the master negatives; and why had they should be stored.
- Investigate potential funding bodies for this work.
- Circulate details of proposed filming to subject specialists.

It had been established that IFLA would not pay for any microfilming work, so it would be necessary to look for alternative sponsors.

#### **Actions**

1. Circulate the survey papers to section members: **Edmund King**.
2. Mount the papers on the IFLANET. **Edmund King**
3. Discuss this matter with James Simon, CRL, re:CAMP: **Henry Snyder and Edmund King**.
4. Consider subsuming the African survey listed within the Library of Congress Program: **Geoffrey Hamilton**.
5. Look for sponsors: **Edmund King**

The committee congratulated Else Delaunay and Geoffrey Hamilton for their work on this survey.

#### **8b. Training Session for Digitization**

Henry Snyder suggested setting up training sessions for digitisation. This was agreed in principle.

**8c. Internet Resources on Newspapers.** It was proposed to make an application to IFLA HQ for a small project in 2006 to further this work. **Action: Hartmut Walravens and Edmund King**

#### **9. International coalition on newspapers (NS2005/2)**

The ICON report was tabled. [another copy is attached with these minutes.] At the meeting of the 19 August, Bernard Reilly introduced the paper, laying out the Business Model and the future plan for ICON. He pointed out that the ICON Advisory Board agreed on the need to expand participation in ICON to institutions that would support the objectives through financial contributions and/or in kind activity.

Bernard Reilly also provided a briefing about the need for ICON to provide a framework for libraries, with regard to collective dealing. The three areas are:

1. for libraries to secure certain digital distribution rights when filming permissions are given
2. terms to be addressed in agreements for third-party distribution of a library's microform content
3. Libraries to secure a greater return when making agreements for third-party digitization of library microform content.

It was agreed to distribute the draft terms to members and to ask for comments by the end of October to the Secretary. The terms will also be posted on the ICON website. **Action: All members**

#### **10. Membership 2004/2005**

Ed King reported that membership was between 25-30 institutions. More work would be undertaken to push up membership, via:

- Wider mailings than IFLA
- Target members in each country
- Contact those in the Newspapers Directory

**Action: Ed King**

Bernard Reilly proposed that the name of the Section be changed to: "Newspapers and News Section". It was agreed to consider this.

## **11. Section Newsletter Issue 13**

Issue number 13 was produced in June 2005 and is available on IFLANET at:

<http://www.ifla.org/VII/s39/index.htm> Sandra Burrows was thanked for all the work she did for this. It was agreed to see if Newsletter no. 14 could be produced before May 2006. **Action: Sandra Burrows.** Maria Luisa Cabral agreed to provide an article on newspapers at the National Library of Portugal.

## **12. Any Other Business**

**11.1 IFLA Publications.** It was noted that in the K.G. Saur series, nos. 103, 107, 110 had all been published. Details are at: <http://www.ifla.org/V/saur.htm> The matter of publishing the papers presented on newspapers to IFLA meetings in 2003, 2004, 2005 and possibly 2006 was raised.

**Action: Hartmut Walravens to take this forward.**

**11.2 IFLA Evaluation of all Sections.** Members' attention was drawn to this process; the Section is due to report by 15 November 2005

**11.3** Members attention was drawn to the centralisation of all the Administration funds by IFLA HQ. This is due to start in 2006.

The PART I meeting closed at 1715. The Part II meeting closed at 1545.