



IFLA KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT SECTION

Minutes of the Standing Committee Meetings

22 and 28 August 2004

11.30 – 14.20, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Rapporteur: Irene Wormell, Acting Chair of the Section

1. Welcoming and presentation of the participants.
2. Overview of the KM Discussions Group activities during 2001-3, and information about the establishment of IFLA KM Section in the beginning of 2004.
3. What has been done during the first half of year 2004:
 - Information provision in various forms
 - Production of the KM leaflet
 - Recruitment of membership to the new Section
 - Organize the (first) Open Session at the IFLA 70th conference, 2004 August 24, 13.45 – 15.45 “Knowledge Management practices”
 - Compilation of the List of participants, Berlin 2003, in electric form
 - Management of KM discussion list and the web site
 - Establishment of contacts within IFLA Div IV
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4. Open, preliminary discussion about Mission and Strategic Plans - short and long term.

Topics touched upon in the discussion:

The need for theory to provide framework
Application of KM is crucial for the section
Professional development
Education and training: create a Road Show program, based on lecture modules. (A pilot in Turkey, 2005 ?)
Tracking the trends and developments within KM
Presentation and distribution of “best practice” examples
Link and integrate KM to other IFLA activities

Performance measurement

Set up a *KM resource data bank* with useful information and links, using the techniques developed at the University of Pretoria

5. Presentation of the rules for Nominations and Elections (2004/2005)
Recruitment of membership to the session
Standing Committee membership
6. Organisation of the section's program at next IFLA Conference in Oslo, 2005:
Theme: "*Knowledge Management for external organisational knowledge : opportunities for libraries*".
Ian Johnson (RGU, Scotland) and Michael Koenig (LIU, USA) will arrange the program. Call for papers will be sent out in October-November.
7. Suggestion for KM Open Session theme in Seoul 2006: "*Evidence based practice in Knowledge Management*" in co-operation with the Statistics and Evaluation Section.
Contact person Michael Heaney (OULS, UK)
8. Karen Muller (ALA, USA) will continue to function as Administrator of the KM Discussion List. Until the next coming election she will also act as Information coordinator.
9. Tatiana White, Acting Secretary and Treasurer, has resigned from her duties. The activities of the Section, until the next coming election in Oslo, will be managed by Irene Wormell, Acting Chair of the Section, and Ian Johnson as Vice-Chair.
10. The Section has 14 members by September 2004. Irene Wormell will follow up the new contacts established with persons and institutions, and continue to work for the recruitment of membership and nomination of SC members.
11. Altogether 44 persons from 25 countries participated as observers in the meetings. Their names, organisations and e-mail addresses are listed and transformed in electronic form. The list is available on the section's home page.
12. IFLA Publications 108, "Knowledge Management. Libraries and Librarians taking Up the Challenge", Ed. by H-Chr Hobohm, 2004. Sjoerd Koopman will investigate the possibilities for making this book electronically available through the KM section's home page.

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