



Report of the *IFLA Standing Committee of Latin American and the Caribbean Section (IFLA/LAC) Meetings held in Milan, Italy, August 23 and 27 2009*

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Attendants

Members of the Standing Committee and the Regional Office

Filiberto Felipe Martínez Arellano (Mexico), Elizabet María Ramos de Carvalho (LAC-RO), Ana María Peruchena Zimmermann (Argentina), Regina Celia Baptista Belluzzo (Brazil), Simone Bastos Vieira (Brazil), Maria Isabel Cabral da Franca (Brazil), Marcia Rosetto (Brazil), Araceli Gómez Martín (Spain), Doris Ivon Samanéz Alzamora (Peru), Jennifer Joseph (Trinidad and Tobago), Silvia Cecilia Anselmi (Argentina), Sigrid Karen Weiss Dutra (Brazil), Hortensia Lobato Reyes (Mexico).

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The meeting also enjoyed the presence of Brigitta Sandell and Gunilla Natvig, Program Director and Administrative Officer of the ALP Program.

Other attendants

Ruth Helena Vallejo (Colombia), Marie-Françoise Bernabé (Martinica), Blanca Hodge (St. Maarten), Gloria Georges Feres (Brazil), Jean Wilfrid Bertrand (Haiti), Claudia Rodriguez (Argentina), Rosane Denes, Rosaly Fávero Krzyzanowski (Brazil), Inês Maria de Moraes Imperatriz (Brazil), Clemencia Montaho (Colombia), Maria Cristina Olaio Villela (Brazil), Marta Terry (Cuba), Monica Rizzo Soares Pinto (Brazil), Michelle Farrell, Elisabeth Adriana Dudziak (Brazil), Elisabeth Pierre-Louis, Émilié Bettega, Alejandra Martinez Del Prado (Mexico), Maria Cotera (UK), Roberto Aguirre (Chile), Rosa Maria Fernández Zamora (Mexico), Raquel Flores Bernal (Chile), Ingrid Bom (Netherlands), Carmen Barvo (Colombia), Barbara Lazo Rodriguez (Cuba), Concepción Vilariño Periañez (Spain), Raúl Alejandro Valdéz Pavón (Cuba), Mylen R. Tanda (Cuba), Marisela Castro Moreno (Mexico), Hortensia Lobato Reyes (Mexico), Lucila Martinez Arellano (Mexico), Luis Villanuol (Chile), Percy A. Canales Manzanilla (Peru).

Members absent with justification

Members of the Standing Committee

Angela Maria Monteiro Bettencourt (Brazil), Ludmila Popov Mayrink da Costa (Brazil), Celia Ribeiro Zaher (Brazil), Adriana Betancourt (Colombia), Mercedes Falcóni (Ecuador), Olinda Gómez (El Salvador), Joan Vaciana (Jamaica), Elsa M. Ramírez Leyva (Mexico), Emilce Noemí Sena Correa (Paraguay), Victor Torres (Puerto Rico), Victor Aguirre (Uruguay).

Corresponding Members

Ivone Tálamo (Brazil), Estela Morales (Mexico), Octavio Castillo (Panama), César Castro Aliaga (Perú), María Elena Zapata (Venezuela), Angela Maria Monteiro Bettencourt (Brazil), Ludmila Popov Mayrink da Costa (Brazil), Celia Ribeiro Zaher (Brazil), Adriana Betancourt (Colombia), Mercedes Falcóni (Ecuador), Olinda Gómez (El Salvador), Joan Vaciana (Jamaica), Elsa M. Ramírez Leyva (Mexico), Emilce Noemí Sena Correa (Paraguay), Victor Torres (Puerto Rico), Victor Aguirre (Uruguay). Angela Maria Monteiro Bettencourt (Brazil), Ludmila Popov Mayrink da Costa (Brazil), Celia Ribeiro Zaher (Brazil), Adriana Betancourt (Colombia), Mercedes Falcóni (Ecuador), Olinda Gómez (El Salvador), Joan Vaciana (Jamaica), Elsa M. Ramírez Leyva (Mexico), Emilce Noemí Sena Correa (Paraguay), Victor Torres (Puerto Rico), Victor Aguirre (Uruguay).

First Meeting held on August 23, 2009 from 13:45 to 15: 45.

1. Call to order and approval of the business agenda.

The Committee Chair, Felipe Martinez Arellano, welcomed to the present members of the Standing Committee, the new members elected for the period 2009-2013, as well as to the guests. He informed about nominations received for SC Chair and Secretary for the period of 2009-2011. He informed that he had been nominated for a second period as Chair and Regina Celia Belluzzo Baptist (Brazil) as Secretary. Since there were not other nominations, they were declared elected in these positions. Felipe Martinez made the presentation of the new members of the Committee for the period of 2009-2013 and he was thankful to all the members that concluded their period for which they were elected (2005-2009), making delivery of their recognition certificates.

2. Minutes Approval of the Standing Committee Mid-Term Meeting held in Lima, Peru, March, 2009

The SC Chair submitted the minutes of the Standing Committee meeting held in Lima, Peru, March, 2009, to the participants' consideration and approval. The minutes were approved. Nevertheless, Felipe Martinez pointed out that in case of finding some observations, these were sent to him for their consideration.

3. Reports

3.1 Report of the Regional Office Manager

Previously to submit her report, Elizabet Maria Ramos de Carvalho mentioned the presence of Gunilla Natvig and Birgitta Sandell (ALP Program), being thankful for their support and collaboration with the Section projects, as well as for their contribution to the development of LIS and libraries in Latin America and the Caribbean. She was sorry that no longer they will continue in the Direction of the ALP Program. Afterwards, she asked that all the attendants introduce themselves. Meeting attendants introduced themselves and some of them gave interesting information. Jennifer Joseph (Trinidad and Tobago) made mention to projects on Preservation and Digitalization being developed in the Caribbean. Maria Cotera (UK) mentioned the interest of IFLA in the subject "Women's information for libraries" and informed that in the next year, this one would have a special session of the IFLA Conference, a session of experiences. Elizabet de Carvalho mentioned its participation like guest in the session on this subject in the Conference of Milan. She will speak about the women situation in Brazil and the creation of a Special Secretariat for Women Issues.

She asked all the participants to delivery news from their respective countries to the Regional Office for their publication in the IFLA/LAC Newsletter. She informed that the number 54 (June, 2009) is in the Section website, in English and in Spanish. She also invited to all the attendants to visit the Section poster, exhibited in the corresponding area, which in this occasion does mention to the celebration of the 35 years of the IFLA/LAC Section and the 30 years of the Regional Office. She briefly mentioned the homage that the Section received on March 24, in Lima (Peru), from the National Library of the Peru and the Libray Association of Peru (Colegio de Bibliotecólogos del Perú), mentioning that further information is in the Newsletter.

Afterward, she gave her report emphasizing the work relationship among the SC members, the Chair, the Secretary and the Regional Office, which allowed the development of different actions during the period August 2008 to August 2009. Some of the points mentioned in their report were the following:

Her participation in different events and activities that took place in the region, being one of them the organization of the “International Seminar on Genealogy and Local Histories: Challenge for Libraries and Archives - Hidden Histories”, which was held on November 6 and 7, 2008, in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), supported by FAIFE/SIDA. In this seminar participated Paul Sturges and Barbara Jones, President and Secretary of FAIFE, as well as speakers from other regions and countries. There was a total of 150 attendants.

Her participation in the organization of the Seminar on the IFLA/UNESCO Internet Guidelines, celebrated on November 10, 2008 in Rio de Janeiro. There were 60 participants. Likewise, she mentioned her participation in the International Forum on School Libraries and the IV Week of School Libraries, in Sao Paulo, from October 21 to 22, 2008. In that occasion, it was presented the IFLA/UNESCO Manifiesto and Guidelines for School Libraries.

She also informed that IFLA/LAC and FAIFE had jointly organized and supported some events and workshops in different countries from the Region. She mentioned that she attended the XII Latin American Symposium of Public Libraries and the 15 National Meeting of the Brazilian Public Libraries System, in Rio de Janeiro, from 20 to 22 October, 2008. She participated in Opening Session and in the organization of a “Workshop on the IFLA Manifiesto on Internet”. This one was given by Maria Elena Zapata (Venezuela) and Maria Isabel da Franca (Brazil).

She made mention to the Workshop “The Librarian and the Access to Information for HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment”, celebrated in Mexico City on November 21 and 22. This one was supported by FAIFE/SIDA and organized by the Mexican Library Association and the UNAM, Medicine School. She also participated in the First Latin American Seminar on Medicine Libraries and Information, held on November 19, in Mexico City. She participated jointly with Section Chair in the opening ceremony and submitting a paper about IFLA and their activities in Latin America and the Caribbean.

She also participated in a meeting of the French Consulate in Rio de Janeiro to discuss the organization of a colloquium jointly with the Goethe Institute, to carry out it in November, 2009, like part of the France-Brazil year commemoration (May 2009).

Moreover, she participated in the organization of a meeting in the University of Cidade-UNIVERCIDADE, jointly with the Dra. Fátima Raposo, Libraries System, where it was presented the book “La nueva llama de Prometeo, la experiencia de Otavalo [The new flame of Prometheus, the experience of Otavalo]” by Dra. Mercedes Falconi (Ecuador), member of the CP of IFLA/LAC. This work is the result of the Project ALP, Common Base of the Citizen Knowledge. In this project, 40 young people from the Otavalo, Ecuador, were trained. Training was in charge of Luzia Monteiro Soares (Brazil), during the month of December, 2008.

She pointed out her participation like organizer of 178th Permanent Forum of Penal Execution Meeting with the Goethe Institute, the Magistracy School of the Rio de Janeiro State and the Mayrink da Costa Institute, as well as the conference of Gerahrd Perscher, Director of the Jail of Munster Library, Germany, and person in charge of the Jail Libraries Division, held on June 18, 2009. This meeting had 120 participants, including librarians, lawyers, psychologists, educators, students and Library Science professors. Moreover, due to the visit of Professor Gerhard Peschers, it was created, by the Prision System Secretariat of Rio de Janeiro State, the Council for Motivating Reading and Libraries Invigoration in the Prison System of that State - CILBP/RJ. The coordination of this organism will be in charge of the Dra. Ludmila Mayrink da Coast, member of the IFLA/LAC SC. Also, she pointed out her participation in its constitution, emphasizing the participation of other people in the constitution of this organism, Maria Isabel Cabral da Franca and Elisete de Sousa Melo. Also, she mentioned that the Adjunct Assistant Secretary for Penitentiary Treatment, Dr. Marcos Vinicius Lips, inaugurated at the beginning of July, in the Penitentiary Complex of Rio de Janeiro, three libraries, receiving one of them the name of Dr. Ludmila Mayrink da Costa, member of the IFLA/LAC Standing Committee and President of the CILBP/RJ. Likewise, she mentioned that 23 of 49 units, that compose this system, have already cultural spaces and small libraries. The objective of the Secretariat for Penitentiary Administration is to create and to invigorate all the existing libraries and to create others in the totality of jails.

Informó de su participación en las reuniones, realizadas el 22 de julio en São Paulo, en la Imprenta Oficial del Estado de São Paulo, con los representantes del MINC, IBICT, FEBAB, CFB y el Sistema Nacional de Bibliotecas Públicas/BN para discutir asuntos sobre el entrenamiento de los bibliotecarios y los profesionales que laboran en las bibliotecas públicas.

Moreover, she informed about her participation in the meetings, celebrated on July 22, at the Official Printing Office of Sao Paulo State, with representatives from the MINC, IBICT, FEBAB, CFV and the National System of Public Libraries/BN to discuss matters related to training of librarians and professionals who work in public libraries.

She also emphasized her participation in XXIII the Brazilian Congress of Librarianship, Documentation and Information Science (CBBDD), held in Bonito, Mato Grosso do Sul, Brazil, from July 5 to 8, 2009. In that opportunity, besides to participate in the opening and the closing session of the congress, she presented jointly with Felipe Martinez, Chair of IFLA/LAC, a work on the IFLA Manifestos on Internet and on Transparency, as well as information resources to prevent HIV/AIDS. That opportunity was also useful for promoting the IFLA activities. There were an important number of participants, approximately 800 people. Jesus Lau (Mexico), member of the IFLA Governing Board,

attended the congress, acting like international observer, giving a conference and being coordinator of a discussion table. Likewise, she participated in the general assemblies of FEBAB, the Federal Council of Librarianship and the Librarians Unions of Librarians. To celebrate 50 years of FEBAB creation, she was present in the tribute this organized for its past presidents.

She mentioned that received from Daniele Mincio, member of the IFLA Governing Board a rough draft of the Manifest on Reading for its analysis and suggestions. The Manifesto is for analysis of reading experts from Brazil and Latin America. In Brazil, it was very well accepted by the library community. Likewise, she mentioned that she received the Manifesto approved by the IFLA Group of Digital Libraries, sent by Stuart Hamilton, asking that she contact the UNESCO National Commission to formalize a resolution that would be sent jointly by the National Library Foundation, FEBAB and IBICT/Digital Inclusion as support from Brazil to the Manifesto in the UNESCO Meeting in Paris, to be celebrated in the next October. All praised the Manifesto and a joint document by FEBAB and the National Library Foundation was sent to the representative of the Ministry of Culture of the Brazilian Government for its presentation in the UNESCO Meeting.

She also indicated the Regional Office continued in contact with associations, institutions and people, inviting them to join IFLA. She considers that IFLA must develop a marketing plan with the purpose to recruit more members and to have to retain already affiliated members. It is important to have all the instructions and formats in Spanish, an easier access and to send immediate answer.

Finally, she gave special thanks to the members that finished their second period in the SC: María Isabel Cabral da Franca (Brazil), Marcia Rosetto (Brazil), Elsa Ramírez (Mexico), Simone Bastos Vieira (Brazil), Adriana Betancour (Colombia), Octavio Castillo (Panama) y Mercedes Falconi (Ecuador). She mentioned that everybody will miss them, not only in the professional field but also in the personal relationship. Nevertheless, she hopes they continue giving his support and work for the Librarianship development in the Region.

She also gave the welcome to the new members of the SC, pointing out that knowing their professional excellence, she was certain the Standing Committee will continue being recognized by the quality of its work and increasing the Region visibility within IFLA.

3.2 Chair Report

Felipe Martinez Arellano, Chair of the Standing Committee (2009-2011), presented his report for the period August 2008 - August 2009. He informed the Section had 122 members in the different categories, of which 92 were associations and institutions and 30 were individual members. He also indicated the necessity that all the members send news related to the activities carried out in their countries to be disclosed.

He emphasized the Section had worked in close collaboration with the Regional Office, other IFLA sections and the Core Programs, especially with ALP- Action for the Development through the Libraries Program and with FAIFE (Free Access to the Information and Freedom of Expression), as well as with the library associations and institutions of the region.

His report included information about his participation in the Workshop IFLA/FAIFE Impact, Evaluation Planning, which took place in The Hague, in October 18 to 23, 2008, whose purpose was to establish the methodology to evaluate the impact of the FAIFE seminars and workshops given before, as well as to establish the objectives for workshops that would be supported and given during 2009. In this workshop was determined that the projects supported by FAIFE must have three stages. The first one will be the trainers training; the second one, to give other workshops by the trained trainers; and the third one, a meeting with the trainers to make an evaluation of the workshops impact. This methodology will be used for all the workshops supported by FAIFE during 2009.

Afterward, he mentioned the seminars, meetings and workshops carried in the Region, in which he participated.

Jointly with the Medicine School of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) and the Mexican Library Association (AMBAC), it was organized the First Latin American Seminar of Medicine Libraries and Information, which took place in Mexico City, on November 21. There were participants from the following countries: Brazil, Cuba, Colombia, Panama, Honduras, Guatemala, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Mexico. He pointed out that in the participants selection, opinions from the Latin American library associations were taken into account, as well as their support for replicating this workshop in their countries.

He also mentioned that was supported the workshop "Information resources for the HIV/AIDS prevention, celebrated on December 2, 2008 in Guadalajara, Jalisco, within the XXI Guadalajara International Book Fair. The manuals elaborated by FAIFE and translated to the Spanish by IFLA/LAC for this workshop were provided and used. Helen Ladrón de Guevara (México) participated as instructor. He also mentioned that were done arrangements with FAIFE to support the participation of Elsa Ramirez, Member of the SC, Ana Ester Rosarolli (Argentina) and Brenda Cabral Vargas (Mexico) as instructors in the Seminar about the IFLA/UNESCO Manifestos for Public Libraries, Libraries School Libraries and Access to Internet, held in Asuncion, Paraguay, on December 11 and 12, 2008.

He mentioned that attended the 2th Meeting of the Agencia Española de Cooperacion Internacional [Spanish Agency of International Cooperation] (AECI) Libraries in Latin America and the Caribbean, on December 5, 2008 in Mexico City. He gave a conference on the IFLA activities in Latin America and other one about the Internet Manifesto. He indicated his participation was obtained thanks to the intervention of Araceli Garcia Martin, member of the SC and the AECI.

Moreover, he made reference to the Section presence, on December 6 and 7, in the Ibero American Forum on the Book, Reading and Libraries in the Knowledge Society, organized by Centro Regional para el Fomento del Libro en América Latina, Caribe, España y Portugal [Regional Center for the Book Promotion in Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain and Portugal] (CERLAC). Elsa Ramirez Leyva, member of the SC, participated in representation of the Section and the Regional Office. Juan Voutssas Márquez (Mexico) also attended this meeting. A series of joint projects CERLAC-IFLA was generated, in which the Section will participate.

Likewise, he informed about the IFLA/LAC presence like observer organism in the Ordinary Meetings of the Council and the Executive Committee of CERLAC, which took place on March 10 to 12, 2009, in Villa de Leyva, Bogota, Colombia, where were delineated actions to be developed jointly with CERLAC, dealing with public libraries, school libraries, digital libraries and reading.

Also, he mentioned the work with FAIFE has continued being close and supported by local institutions. In this area, the following workshops were organized and given:

Workshop on the Internet Manifesto given by Maria Elena Zapata and Maria Isabel Cabral da Franca, in October 2008, during the Third Latin American Symposium on Public Libraries and the 15 National Meeting of the Public Libraries System of Brazil, celebrated on November 10 (Rio de Janeiro) and November 11 (Sao Paulo).

In collaboration with Doris Samanez and Caesar, it was organized the Workshop Train the Trainers for the Internet Manifesto, where jointly with Elizabet de Carvalho they were instructors. This one was celebrated on March 22 and 23, 2009, previously to the celebration of the International Seminar "Public Library and the Information Society". He mentioned in this workshop participated 10 people from diverse Peruvian provinces: Arequipa, Lambayeque, Cajamarca, Cuzco, La Libertad, Junín, Tacna, Puno, and Iquitos. They will replicate this workshop in a second phase in their places and they will back to a later meeting in October 2009, where they will present the results of their workshops.

Also, he mentioned that on March 24, in Lima (Peru), it were commemorated the 35th. anniversary of the IFLA/LAC Section and the 30th. anniversary of the Regional Office. This celebration was organized by the National Library of Peru and the Colegio de Bibliotecólogos del Peru, recognizing the IFLA/LAC work and nominating the IFLA/LAC SC members and ex-presidents as Honorary Members. Adolfo Rodriguez, first IFLA/LAC Standing Committee Chair, attended this celebration and gave a speech.

In the International Seminar "Public Library and Information Society", celebrated in Peru Lima from March 24 to 26, in Lima, Peru, he gave the conference "Manifestos on Internet and on Transparency, and information resources for the HIV/AIDS prevention." This conference also was dictated by Elizabet de Carvalho in XXIII the Congresso Brasileiro de Biblioteconomia, Documentação and Informação - CBBB, celebrated in Mato Grosso do Sul, from July 5 to 8, 2009.

Jointly with the Mexican Library Association [Asociación Mexicana de Bibliotecarios], it was organized and given a workshop on "Information resources of information for the VIH/ AIDS prevention, which had been planned to take place during the XL Jornadas Mexicanas de Biblioteconomía at Acapulco, on May 13-14, which was postponed to take place on September 9 to 10, 2009.

He also emphasized the Section collaboration for translating to the Spanish the manuals for workshops on the Internet Manifesto, on Transparency, Good Governance and Freedom from Corruption, and on information resources for HIV/AIDS prevention.

Likewise, he also informed on the collaboration in the organization of diverse meetings. Jointly with the Regional Office, participated in the organization of the International Seminar "Public Library and the Information Society", celebrated in Peru, Lima, from March 24 to 26. In collaboration with the Regional Office, it was organized the Section program for the Conference of Milan, Italy. The subject of the session that was determined in the meeting of the SC in Quebec, Canada (August 2008), was: "Preserving and conserving the cultural heritage of Latin America and the Caribbean." Like the other IFLA sections, and by recommendation of the Professional Committee, by second consecutive year, a call for papers was elaborated to invite speakers of the region (librarians, academic, professional and other people interested in this subject) to participate in the program of Milan. There were 14 proposals of communications from different countries of the Region: Cuba (4), Brazil (3), Mexico (3), Peru (2), Uruguay (1), U.S.A. (1). Only three proposals were selected, due to the time dedicated to the Section program was of 2 hours and a place had been reserved to invite as keynote speaker to Rosa Maria Fernandez (Mexico), representative of the UNESCO Program Memory of the World. Considering the facts previously mentioned, the session of IFLA/LAC in Milan, Italy, included the following communications: "Conocer, valorar y difundir el patrimonio cultural de América Latina y el Caribe"; Angela Monteiro Bettencourt y Elsa Barber "Biblioteca virtual Pedro de Angelis: padrones de interoperabilidad en el acceso y preservación del patrimonio cultural en América Latina"; Maylin Frías Guzmán (Cuba) "Un paisaje del azúcar: recuperación de archivos fotográficos personales de una comunidad azucarera"; Luis Cháves Rodríguez "La biblioteca oral: el doble giro de la escritura y la oralidad en la preservación de la tradición oral." The IFLA/LAC session was held on Monday 24. Likewise, he informed he asked the Division VIII, the Caucus of this one was not programmed to the same hour that the Spanish and the Portuguese Caucus, since this situation impedes to attend both meetings. The Division VIII was held on August 22.

Also, he indicated the Section collaboration with Division VIII, Regional Activities, in preparing its program for the Conference of Milan, Italy, which will take place on Thursday 27.

Likewise, he did mention to the "Program of Internships in Information Technologies for Latin American librarians", indicating that 12 librarians from the region were selected to be in Mexico City, from September 17 to October 16 of October to participate in it.

Finally, but not at least, Felipe Martinez mentioned in the session of the Section, to be celebrated on Monday 24, there will be an homage to Brigitta Sandell and Gunilla Natvig of the ALP Program ALP, by his work and support to the region projects.

4. World Library and Information Congress 2010: 76th. Conference and General Assembly of IFLA, Gothenburg, Sweden.

The Chair informed the IFLA Conference for 2010, programmed to be celebrated in Brisbane, Australia, had been changed to take place in Gothenburgh, Sweden. He invited the meeting participants to present communications and asked for proposals for the Section theme, according with the central theme of the Conference 2010, "Open Access to the knowledge - Promoting the sustainable development". Some of the themes proposed were: Cooperative networks and Multiculturalism; Cooperation and Integration; Marketing; Quality Standards.

He asked the SC collaboration for the definitive theme and the call for papers elaboration, establishing as dateline to receive proposals and suggestions, September 30, 2009. Elizabeth de Carvalho proposed two types of participations: a communication by invitation from a keynote speaker and three more by selection, taking care of regional and institutional representation. Also, to consider that no longer it is possible to have ALP support, and for this reason, selected people will not be able to receive any support to attend the Conference. All SC participants agreed with the proposals and suggestions and these were approved.

5. Election Process

The Chair informed that during this period, election processes for different positions within the IFLA took place. Regarding this matter, it was supported the candidacy of Jesus Lau (Mexico) for Elected President and member of the Governing Board. It was asked the vote of all the Section members. By a reduced percentage, Jesus Lau was not selected as Elected President, nevertheless, he obtained a place in the Governing Board.

Likewise, the candidacy of Buhle Mbambo-Thata (Africa) as Chair of Division VIII, Regional Activities, was supported.

Regarding to elections for members of the SC, ten elected members for period 2005-2009 had to be renewed. Only eight members were nominated by the section members. They were: Silvia Cecilia Anselmi (Argentina), Ana María Peruchena Zimmermann (Argentina), Sigrid Karin Weiss Dutra (Brazil), Margarita Bellas Villariño (Cuba), Araceli García Martín (España), Hortensia Lobato Reyes (Mexico), Filiberto Felipe Martínez-Arellano (Mexico), Doris Ivon Samanez Alzamora (Peru).

Even though it was informed that some members would be elected for another period. The following SC members were not nominated: Simone Bastos Vieira (Brazil), Mercedes Falconi (Ecuador), Adriana Betancourt (Colombia).

As result of this election process, the IFLA LAC Standing Committee was integrated by the following members:

Members elected for the period 2007-2011

Regina Celia Baptista Belluzzo (Brazil), Angela Maria Monteiro Bettencourt (Brazil), Ludmila Popov Mayrink da Costa (Brazil), Celia Ribeiro Zaher (Brazil), Olinda Estela Gomez Moran (El Salvador), Joan Vacianna (Jamaica) , Emile Noemi Sena Correa (Paraguay), Victor Federico Torres Ortiz (Puerto Rico), Jennifer Joseph (Trinidad y Tobago), Victor Aguirre Negro (Uruguay).

Members elected for the periodo 2009-2013

Silvia Cecilia Anselmi (Argentina), Ana María Peruchena Zimmermann (Argentina), Sigrid Karin Weiss Dutra (Brazil), Margarita Bellas Villariño (Cuba), Araceli García Martín (España), Hortensia Lobato Reyes (Mexico), Filiberto Felipe Martínez-Arellano (Mexico), Doris Ivon Samanez Alzamora (Peru).

6. Homage to Brigitta Sandell and Gunilla Natvig of the ALP Program

Like first meeting point, Felipe Martinez mentioned that during the open session of the Section, celebrated on Monday, August 24, the Regional Office and the Section of Latin

America and the Caribbean, render homage to Brigitta Sandell and Gunilla Natvig of the ALP Program for their work and support to the region projects, as well as for their contribution to the Library Science and libraries development in the region. Recognition diplomas were given to them for their work.

Second Meeting held on August 27, 2009 from 8:00 to 9:30 hrs

7. ALP Projects

In this second meeting, we have the presence of the new ALP Program responsible, Fiona Bradley, who since 2010 will be in charge of this one. It was mentioned again this year is the last one that the Section has ALP support to finance projects in the region. Also, since the beginning of 2010, ALP will depend on the IFLA Headquarters. The President emphasized the importance of presenting new projects to this office.

It was reported the status of projects approved by IFLA/LAC and ALP, which are currently running or have been satisfactorily concluded:

Project 387 “Bookstand for the Santiago del Surco Market” (Perú). Project concluded.

Project 388 “Design and implementation of an international curriculum in Library Science and Documentation with an emphasis on informational literacy for Central America” (Costa Rica). Currently under development.

Project 389 “Workshop-seminar on the role of library services in Central-America” (Panama). Project concluded.

Project 391 “2th Latin American Seminar on Library Services for Blind and visual disabled people“. (Brasil). It will be take place on November, 2009.

Project 392 “Continuing Education, networks and innovations for librarians in the speaking English Caribbean” (Jamaica)” Approved project with similar goals to training workshops in Colombian libraries. Concluded.

Project 393 “Internships in public libraries services for Latin American librarians” (Colombia). Third version of public librarians internships, participating on this occasion Uruguay, Paraguay, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras and two Caribbean countries. Concluded.

Project 394 “Intercultural Library for the Development of the Andean and Amazon Regions” (Peru). Project canceled

Projecto 395 “Common Base of Citizen Knowledge BCCC”; - training youth 14-24 years of age, residents of the communities of the Cidade Tiradentes District” (Brazil). This project replicates the project successfully developed in Sao Paulo. Currently under development.

Project 396 “Internships in information technologies for Latin American librarians” (Mexico). Its objective is librarian training on technology application in library activities and services. This project shall be held on November, 2009.

Project 397 “Otavalo: Common Base of Citizen Knowledge BCCC”; - training youth 14-24 years of age in urban and rural settings” (Ecuador). This project replicates one carried out in Sao Paulo. Concluded.

Project 398 “Bookstand for the Cajamarca Market” (Peru). Currently under development.

Project 399 “Bookstand for the Central Market in San Salvador” (El Salvador). Currently under development.

Project 701 “Workshop to promote reading and outreach activities in the Spanish Caribbean) (Puerto Rico). It shall be celebrated on October, including the participation of experts and SC members such as Adriana Betancur and Doris Samanez in order to share their experiences in public libraries.

Project 702 “Seminar on IFLA/UNESCO Internet, Public libraries and School libraries Manifestos (Paraguay). Project concluded

Project 703 “Fifth Meeting of Latin American and Caribbean Library Associations) (El Salvador). Project canceled.

Project 704 “Bookstand for the Parochia Market and surrounds in Guatemala City) (Guatemala). Approval and development under consideration.

Project 706 “Experiences of libraries for indigenous communities in Latin America” (Perú).It continues in analysis

Project 707 “International Seminar on Public Libraries – Challenges and Answers from Latin America” (Perú). Project concluded.

8. Next Meeting of the Standing Committee in 2010

It was informed to the new person in charge of the ALP Program, Fiona Bradley, that the Section carries out its annual mid-term meeting, simultaneously with some project. She was asked to consider the possibility that ALP would support the meeting of the SC in March, 2010, to which she answered that she would verify this issue with IFLA. Chile and Colombia expressed their intention to carry out the next meeting of the Committee.

9. Other matters

Oneida Ortiz and Luiza Vigo, local organizers of the IFLA Conference in Puerto Rico (2011), attended this meeting. They made the presentation of the event, whose theme will be “Libraries beyond libraries.” They informed about the creation of a National Committee with 50 people from different institutions (libraries, archives and museums). IFLA will have the responsibility of all the structure, but the cultural and social parts need the government support. They mentioned that exists an interest in developing pre-conferences and each library or association must think about making some activity about the subject of the event so that all the interested people can be integrated.

The SC Chair mentioned other activities, emphasizing the following:

The diffusion of the call for the “IFLA LIS Student Paper Award 2009), supported by the Standing Committee of the IFLA Education and Training Section and the company EKZ. The objectives of this award was to encourage LIS students to present communications related to the subject of the IFLA World Library and Information Congress (WLIC); to give LIS students the opportunity to participate actively in the WLIC; to give LIS students a better knowledge of the IFLA activities; to motivate and to prepare the new generation of LIS professionals to participate in the IFLA activities. This prize was for LIS students worldwide, enrolled in a formation program that leads to "first professional level of studies", (undergraduate or master) according to their university and the professional reality of the LIS field in the country where the students were enrolled.

He also pointed out the participation in the call for the program “Librarians on the catwalk: communicating for advocacy to influence policy and practice”, organized by the Management of Library Association Section, MLAS), the Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning Section, CPDWL) and the Program ALP, which was carried out in the Conference of Milan, Italy. Claudia Rodriguez (Argentina) participated as representatives of the Region. The experience she obtained in this program, will allow her to organize and to lead workshops and other activities on this subject in the Region.

Finally, he emphasized that one of the high-priority lines during this period was to improve communication among members of the Standing Committee, as well as with all the Section members of the Section, through electronic discussion lists.