

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

2015 Annual General Meeting

Minutes

Berlin State Library

Wednesday, 23 September 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

1. Welcome to Members

IALL President Jeroen Vervliet introduced the 2015 Annual General meeting and welcomed members to the meeting.

A motion to approve the agenda for the 2015 AGM meeting was made and the agenda was approved.

2. Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the AGM held in Buenos Aires, Argentina 1 October 2014.

A motion to approve the Minutes of 2014 AGM was made and the 2014 AGM minutes were approved.

3. President's Report

To receive the President's Report for 2015

Jeroen Vervliet presented the President's 2015 report and introduced the members of the Board to the membership. The President's Report was approved.

4. Annual Courses

To receive a report from the Conference Committee on arrangements for the 2016 Annual Course to be held in Oxford, England.

First Vice-President Ruth Bird, who is arranging the Oxford annual course in 2016, presented a report on IALL's forthcoming Annual course to be held in Oxford's Keble College from July 31 through August 3, 2016. The summer dates are a result of the availability of the conference venues at Oxford. The theme of the 35th Annual Course on Law and Legal Information is "Common Law Perspectives in an International Context." The conference will include tours of Oxford libraries, excellent speakers, and social programs. The Optional Day on 4 August will be spent at Blenheim Palace. The opening reception will be held at the headquarters of Oxford University Press. Accommodation at one of the college is reasonably priced at an estimated 100 pounds. Library tours in London will be arranged for those who are interested on Friday, 5 August. Ruth expressed the hope that we will be able to welcome many IALL members to the conference at Oxford next year. Jeroen thanked Ruth and commented that next year's conference should be excellent.

5. Welcome to and greetings from Presidents/representatives of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), the German Association

of Law Libraries (AjBD), the Australian Law Librarians' Association (ALLA), and the Canadian Association of Law Libraries (CALL):

- American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)

Keith Ann Stiverson, President of the American Association of Law Libraries thanked IALL for the invitation to the conference. She noted that she sees many AALL members here. Keith Ann mentioned AALL's rebranding project and its efforts to improve educational programming to ensure that future conferences are helpful to members. She encouraged IALL members to attend AALL's annual conference in 2016 in Chicago, USA.

- German law librarians association--Arbeitsgemeinschaft für juristisches Bibliotheks- und Dokumentationswesen (AjBD).

Christian Schlumpf, President of the AjBD thanked IALL for the opportunity to attend the conference. He expressed that it was a pleasure and privilege to bring greetings to IALL from the members of the German law libraries association. Christian gave special thanks and recognition to Ivo Vogel and his team for the excellent conference, noting that it has been an extremely enriching experience to attend his first IALL conference.

- Australian Law Librarians' Association (ALLA)

Eleni Christofi attended the conference on behalf of the ALLA President who could not attend. She brings greetings from ALLA members. Eleni noted that ALLA holds its conference every other year; the next conference will take place in Melbourne in August 2016 and IALL members are encouraged to attend.

- Canadian Association of Law Libraries (CALL)

John Eaton brings greetings from the Executive Board and members of CALL. John said that he is a fan of IALL conferences because of their excellence, noting that it is the most fascinating and intriguing conference on legal information and law in the world. John announced that the 2016 CALL conference will take place in Vancouver, British Columbia 15-18 May 2016; the theme will be Competencies, Challenges, Connections. Canada's conference will be excellent and he urges IALL members to attend.

6. Secretary's Report

To receive the Secretary's Report for 2015

The Secretary's Report was presented and approved.

7. Treasurer's Report

To approve the Auditor's Report and Accounts for the Association for 2014

- Jeroen announced Xinh Luu's resignation as IALL Treasurer and thanked Xinh for her many years of work on the IALL Board and as Treasurer. Jeroen then announced the appointment of Kurt Carroll of the Library of Congress as the new IALL Treasurer; Kurt will complete Xinh's term of office.
- The Treasurer's Report was presented and approved.
- The recommendation for appointment of the auditor for FY 2015 was approved.

8. Finance Committee Report

The 2015 Report of the Finance Committee was presented by the Chair of the Finance Committee and was approved.

9. Report of the Committee on Communications

To receive a report from the Chair of the Committee on Communications for 2015

Jeroen announced Marci Hoffman's resignation from the Board and the appointment of Bård Tuseth as the new Chair of the Communications Committee. Bård discussed major points of the committee. He noted the introduction of the IALL plagiarism policy and explained the retraction and the interest in the plagiarism problem we encountered with a speaker from the Mumbai conference. Bård discussed the change in publisher of the *IJLI* which will be published by Cambridge University Press beginning in 2016. He also encouraged members to contribute to the IALL blog and recognized and thanked Marci for her contributions to IALL, including the online conference registration and membership forms, and the redesigned IALL website.

10. Report of the Scholarships Committee

To receive a report from the Chair of the Scholarships Committee for 2015.

The Scholarship Committee Report was presented and approved.

11. Report of the Education Committee

To receive a report from the Chair of the Education Committee for 2015

Bård Tuseth presented the report of the Education Committee. He noted the Standards for a course on international law developed by the Committee; the standards were initially created in Buenos Aires and were finalized during the Committee's meeting at the Berlin conference on Sunday.

12. IALL Elections 2016

The upcoming IALL election for the 2016-2019 Officers and Board of Directors was announced. The first step will be the creation of the Nominating Committee for the election; it was announced that IALL members will be invited to nominate IALL members to serve on the Nominating Committee.

13. Any other business

Claire Germain inquired about the IALL Newsletter created by Ruth Bird. Ruth indicated that she had not had time to continue the newsletter but she plans to complete another issue in November 2015. Ruth invited contributions from members. Lyonette Louis-Jacques suggested including retirement announcements in the newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned following the discussion of other business.