International Relations Committee
April 27, 2013, 8:00-9:00 AM

Moderators: Holly Hatheway
Recorder: Christina Peter

Attendees:
Holly Hatheway, Chair
Christina Peter, Recorder
Daniel Payne, Board Liaison
Clayton Kirkking
Rodica Krauss
Kristen Regina
Tony White

Regrets:
Nicole Finzer
Katie Keller
Kevin Madill
Shalimar White

I. Welcome and introductions
II. Election: Christina Peter was elected as Vice-Chair/Chair Elect for 2014. Holly outlined the duties of chair / vice-chair.

III. Checklists for Hosting Study Trip Planning and for Hosting Study Trip from Abroad were discussed and ratified.

IV. Report from Daniel Payne, Board Liaison, on some initiatives of the Executive Board.

These included the creation of a publicity/advertising task force (selling advertising on the ARLIS/NA web site is under consideration); organizing a one-
day virtual conference, for which ideas will be solicited (Sarah Falls is in charge); Heidi Hass is moving ahead with the revision of the bylaws; the ARLIS/NA website redesign is moving ahead – the Society is looking for a new platform (potentially a place for storing IRC documents); TEI restructuring was mentioned – communication with the company has remained a problem, but TEI is now realizing that ARLIS/NA is an important client.

V. Action plan:

An Action Plan with regard to ARLIS/NA Policy no. X-6, Activities and Publications of Foreign Affiliates was discussed and adopted. Policy no. X-6 states that “The Chair of the International Relations Committee shall ensure that the activities and publications of foreign affiliates which may be of interest to ARLIS/NA are reported to the membership. The printed and electronic documentation of foreign affiliates shall be monitored by the IRC and shared with the ARLIS/NA membership through the Society’s communication channels.” Members of the Committee decided to follow the activities and publications of ARLIS UK & Ireland, ARLIS/ANZ, ARLIS/Norden, ARLIS/NL, Japan Art Documentation Society and the IFLA Art Libraries Section. Following Tony White’s recommendation it was decided that the task will be divided among IRC members, with each member responsible for following the activities of one or more foreign affiliates.

VI. Holly Hatheway’s presentation to the membership on the IRC’s activities through the year was reviewed.

VII. Current trips in progress

Kristen Regina reported on preparations for the study trip to Russia in June 2013. All programs are in place; most travelers have obtained their visas.

The June 2013 Berlin Colloquium, in which a number of IRC members will be taking part, as well as the study tour of Australian libraries in connection with the IFLA Congress in Singapore in August 2013 was also mentioned.

VIII. Future trip planning

Christina Peter outlined plans for a Budapest-Vienna, and possibly Bratislava study trip for the Sprint of 2014. Possible dates were discussed.

For a 2015 study trip, Brazil, Argentina and the Caribbean area were mentioned as possible venues. Clayton Kirking will be happy to be involved.

Katie Keller is arranging an invitational study tour for British Librarians to Washington, DC, New York and New Haven following the 2014 ARLIS/NA conference.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 AM.