

# **AMIA INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH TASK FORCE**

**Meeting held at Anchorage, Saturday 14 October 2006**

## **Minutes**

### **1 Opening**

The Chair, Ray Edmondson (RE), declared the meeting open.

### **2 Minutes of 2005 meeting**

Minutes had been distributed by email and were confirmed.

### **3 Matters arising from minutes**

All pertinent matters are covered in the agenda.

### **4 Status and charge of Task Force**

A copy of the Board's revised Charge of the IOTF (dated May 2006) was distributed.

Brian Graney (BG) advised that the Board now considers the IOTF an "ad hoc committee", but has yet to respond formally to the recommendation of the IOTF 2005 meeting that it become a Committee of the Board. Accordingly, the present meeting voted unanimously to reaffirm the 2005 recommendation.

The Board has asked for a report with specific recommendations about international member service needs, events and programs and development opportunities. RE undertook to draft the report and circulate it to IOTF members for feedback before finalization and submission. BG noted that it was important to make the point that AMIA is an international body. The fact that its membership is predominantly North American therefore needs to be balanced by the work of an International Outreach Committee. This is an ongoing function which underlines the need for it to be a Committee of the Board.

### **5 Follow up on volunteering session**

Nancy Marelli (NM) spoke to this item. Those present at the session on international volunteering expressed a unanimous show of hands that AMIA should serve as an umbrella body to facilitate partnerships and volunteering arrangements. The proposal of a concrete plan was delegated to the IOTF.

NM suggests the preparation of a plan which will be facilitated by AMIA but not funded by it. The rationale will be to start small and see what can be built in rational steps – for example the twinning of archives, exchange of literature, provision of supplies.

The meeting agreed that NM head a subcommittee which will work on the preparation of a plan, and will embrace those who have indicated their interest on the attendance sheet.

## **6 AMIA event in Europe**

In the light of discussion at yesterday's AGM, and the doubts it raised about the ethical conduct of AMIA's voting processes, the question of AMIA's sincerity in embracing Europe was raised. If AMIA could not do this effectively there would be a need to create another organisation which would be the voice of individual archivists outside North America. It was noted that AMIA currently had about 50 European members.

Several members commented that AMIA's priorities and awareness had indeed become more international over recent years.

A possible event in Britain was suggested. Then Claudy op den Kamp suggested that the European event might be held in conjunction with the Nederlands Filmmuseum Biennale due to be held in April 2007. It was agreed that the original organising group (Paul Read, Martin Koerber and Thomas Christiansen) would pursue this in consultation with Claudy and other colleagues at the Filmmuseum. A half day event was envisaged.

## **7 Launch of UNESCO World Day for AV Heritage, 2007**

The meeting was informed of the launch next year of UNESCO's annual World Day for AV Heritage on 27 October. During the year, Ray Edmondson had been commissioned by UNESCO to conduct a feasibility study on the event: many AMIA members had contributed their views via a questionnaire. There was an opportunity for all archives to use the occasion to raise awareness of archival issues. More information would be forthcoming as preparations were made in the new year.

## **8 CCAAA update ([www.ccaaa.org](http://www.ccaaa.org))**

The Chair reported on the CCAAA's meeting on 31 March in Paris. AMIA was represented by Janice Simpson and Keith LaQua. Some major outcomes were:

- Agreement that AMIA would host a Joint Technical Symposium in 2007
- Association of Recorded Sound Collections (ARSC) was admitted as the 8<sup>th</sup> member of CCAAA
- CCAAA joined the International Committee of the Blue Shield
- A draft policy statement on the Sharing of Heritage was adopted subject to some minor changes

- A training relationship with ICCROM was foreshadowed

## 9 “Memory of the World” program

The chair reported that the 2005 meeting of the International Advisory Committee (IAC) of the program had agreed that the British World War I documentary *The Battle of the Somme*, held by the Imperial War Museum, should be inscribed on the International Register.

*The Wizard of Oz* (1939) had been nominated but failed to gain the IAC’s endorsement. George Eastman House had re-nominated the film for consideration in the next round.

## 10 Tasks for the coming year

- Report to Board (item 4)
- Follow up on volunteering (item 5)
- European event (item 6)

## IOTF Roster

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 V= Volunteer statement  
 E= European event  
 N= not present at this meeting

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