INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LAWLIBRARIES Minutes of the Annual General Meeting at the 31st Annual Course on International Law Librarianship University of Toronto, Chestnut Conference Centre, Canada  $2^{nd}$  October 2012 at 11:15 a.m.

**1.** The President Petal Kinder opened the meeting by welcoming the delegates. She also conveyed apologies from the board member who was not able to attend the conference and therefore would not be present at the AGM (Anita Soboleva of Russia).

The President welcomed and introduced the President of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Jean Wenger who greeted the AGM and invited all IALL members to the AALL conference in Seattle, Washington in July 2013

The President also welcomed CALL Executive Board member Louise Hamel who attended in place of Cyndi Murphy, President of the Canadian Association of Law Libraries (CALL). Louise Hamel welcomed the delegates and extended an invitation to CALL's 2013 conference in Montreal.

**2.** The minutes of the AGM held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in December 2011 were approved.

### 3. President's Report

President Petal Kinder introduced the officers, members and ex-officio members of the IALL Board. She encouraged IALL members who are interested in being on the Board as to speak to Jules Winterton, Chair of the IALL Nominating Committee for the upcoming election for the 2013-2016 Board.

The President reported that she attended the 2012 AALL conference and that IALL Board met during the conference. In addition, two Board members represented IALL at two other conferences: Janis Johnston attended CALL and Bård Tuseth represented IALL at the IFLA conference.

The President announced that Richard Danner and Jules Winterton were honored by AALL for their book *The International Handbook of Legal Information Management* published in 2011 by Ashgate.

The President also mentioned that the IALL website has moved to the University of California, Berkeley and that the website will be changed and enhanced during the next several months. IALL will also have a Facebook page and the Board is also considering setting up a blog and Twitter account. In addition, the IALL website will also be set up to accept online membership payments and conference registrations in the near future.

The President mentioned that David Gee from the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies in London conducted his survey of research support services in law libraries from May to June 2012 and that he will present a brief report on the survey at the end of the AGM. This project was supported by IALL.

### 4. Future Annual Courses

Barcelona, Spain — Pedro Padilla-Rosa of the University of Puerto Rico Law made a presentation on IALL's 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Course to be held in Barcelona, Spain from 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at

the University of Barcelona. The course topic is Catalan Law and Legal Information in a Global Context.

It was further announced that the 2014 course will be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina and Gloria Orrego Hoyos will be the Local Organising Chair.

# 5. Secretary's Report

The Secretary's Report for 2011-2012 was presented and approved. The report noted that the IALL brochure has been updated and that William s. Hein & Co. has generously offered to print the new brochure for the Association.

The Secretary announced the upcoming IALL election for the 2013-2016 Board and outlined the elections process. She reminded the membership to speak to Jules Winterton, Chair of the Nominations Committee if they are interested in standing for the Board. The Secretary also noted that a short article outlining the election process will be available on the IALL website by the end of December.

# 6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer Xinh Luu presented the auditor's report and accounts. She noted that this was a solid financial year for IALL. There were no questions regarding these reports and accounts and both were approved. CPA firm Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates of Virginia will continue to serve as auditor for IALL. The Treasurer presented her report for 2011 and it was also approved.

# 7. Finance Committee Report

Jennefer Aston, Chair of the Finance Committee presented the Committee's report for 2011-12 and it was approved. The Chair noted that the Finance Committee was focusing on improving administrative systems and support for the Treasurer.

# 8. Report of the Committee on Communications

Marci Hoffman, Chair of the Committee on Communications, presented the Committee Report for 2011-12. She highlighted progress on revamping and enhancing the IALL website and acknowledged the outstanding help and support of Michael Lindsey of Berkeley on website redesign and functionality.

#### 9. Report of the Scholarships Committee

Barbara Garavaglia, Chair of the Scholarships Committee presented the Committee report for 2011-12 and it was approved. The Chair announced the three bursary winners for the Toronto conference: Ms. Judit Gerencsér from the Curia's Library, Budapest, Hungary; Ms. Gloria Orrego Hoyos from the Biblioteca Max von Buch at Universidad de San Andrés, Buenos Aires, Argentina; and Mr. Joesph A. Semugabi from the Law

Development Centre Library, Kampala, Uganda. The Chair noted forthcoming improvements to the internship page in the IALL website, noting that no internships applications had been received in 2011-12.

#### 10. Web Site Award

Ligita Gjortlere, Chair of the Web Site Award Committee presented her report for 2011-12 and it was approved. The Chair also announced the winner of the 2012 IALL Website Award: Juricaf: La jurisprudence francophone des cours supreme <<u>http://www.juricaf.org/</u>>. This website brings together court opinions from 42 Francophone countries.

#### 11. Survey of major law libraries around the world – brief report – David Gee

David Gee of the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies in London reported on his survey of major law libraries of the world. He noted that he received 122 completed surveys and extended his thanks to those who completed surveys. The survey results will be reported in the *IJLI*.

#### 12. Other business

Dr. Ruediger Krech of the World Health Organization & Professor Amir Attaran gave a special presentation on the World Health Law Library Project and extended an invitation to law librarians interested in participating in the project.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.