International Communication and Development Committee Meeting Minutes

2016 ASLCS Professional Development Seminar
Boise, Idaho
Thursday, Sept. 22, 2016

Call to Order
The meeting of the International Communication and Development Committee was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Liz Clark (Alaska), Chair. Also in attendance was Jackie Schulz (Alaska), Vice Chair. Unable to attend was Brian Takeshita (Hawaii), Vice Chair.

Attendance
The following members of the committee were present and each took a moment to introduce herself/himself to the group: Ann Cornwell (Ark.), Tyler Peavler (Ky.), Claire Clift (Nev.), Timothy Sekerak (Ore.), Patsy Spaw (Texas), Effie Ameen (Colo.), Sherry Rodriguez (Nev.), Joyce Wright (Ala.), Adriane Crouse (Mo.), Pat Harris (Ala.), Laura Bell (Wash.), Ann Marie Brown (Tenn.), Heshani Wijemanne (Calif.), Russell Humphrey (Tenn.), Paul Nardo (Va.), Nanette Mitchell (Tenn.), Janice Gadd (Utah), Whitney Page (Tenn.), Sandy Tenney (Utah), Tara Jenkins (Tenn.), Butch Speer (La.), Crystaline Jones (Alaska), Susan Furlong (Nev.), Londi Ensor (Alaska), Susan Schaar (Va.), Corey Carnahan (Kan.), Yolanda Dixon (La.), Emily White (Mo.).

Old Business
Chair Clark explained the role of the committee as described in the ASLCS bylaws and welcomed new and returning committee members. Chair Clark told the committee work on the International Directory was almost complete and asked committee members to inform her if they wanted a hard copy of the directory—if not it would be available on the website before the end of the year. Chair Clark informed the committee that minutes from the previous meeting had already been submitted in order to meet the tight publishing timeline of the Legislative Administrator. Incoming ASLCS President Susan Kannarr (Kan.) recounted her attendance at the recent ANOMAC meeting in Toluca, Mexico. Jackie Schulz (Alaska), Vice Chair also attended the meeting and added her stories and memories of an extremely productive and enjoyable trip.

New Business
The discussion of ANOMAC led to questions regarding what ASLCS could do to boost participation by members of ANOMAC in the PDS. Chair Clark recounted a discussion with ANOMAC members who suggested if ASLCS were to provide professional translators (as ANOMAC does for English speaking guests at its meetings) that might improve the experience for an international attendee. Susan Schaar (Va.) informed committee members that the discussion around translators had occurred 20 years ago at the Executive Committee level and at that time it was deemed too expensive. Janice Gadd (Utah) suggested maybe the time has come to investigate it again and perhaps take a motion to request interpretation services to the Executive Committee? Chair Clark told
members she would discuss barriers to increased ANOMAC participation with Edna, ANOMAC’s liaison.

**Adjournment**
Upon a motion by Susan Schaar (Va.), seconded by Tyler Peavler (Ky.), the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Liz Clark (Alaska), Chair