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International Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres (IAML)

Internationale Vereinigung der Musikbibliotheken, Musikarchive und Musikdokumentationszentren (IVMB)

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The 2008 board is Siren Steen, Leader; Randi Hansen, Treasurer; Anna Sæmundsdottir, Secretary; Tone Nøtvik Jakobsen, Ann Kunish, Frida Røsand, Merete Kløften, and Aslak Oppebøen, Board Members. The board has held six board meetings and two meetings for the entire membership. The Association has 85 members; 27 of these are individual memberships.

The Association has continued its work on *Finn musikken*, a resource for libraries that wish to include music documents in their collections. We have also entered into a cooperative effort with the Danish Music Library Association in regard to a common content and presentation of the material in such a tutor.

The Association was represented by Ann Kunish and Siren Steen at the IAML conference in Naples. Two of the proposals made by the Danish and Norwegian associations in 2007 were presented in a council meeting, and both were approved for further investigation. An electronic edition of *Fontes Artis Musicae* is now being planned, and necessary changes in rules of procedures will be discussed in order to look at possible changes of the election system.

Frida Røsand represents the Association on the board for the planning of the Norwegian Sound Archives Conference, to be held 27 - 29 October 2009 in Trondheim. The Music Library Association has financed and implemented a new website for the conference, which can be accessed at www.lydarkiv.no.

Work is in progress to revise the document *Emneordslisten for musikk i EDB-kataloger* (Subject Headings Index for Musical Terms in Electronic Catalogues), first published in 1993. The Association has held a meeting with representatives from the Norwegian Library Association, academic and public libraries, the Norwegian company Biblioteksentralen, and the Faculty of Journalism, Library and Information Science from Oslo University College. These organizations now make up the working group. A student from the college plans to make parts of this work the subject of a project, and the work has been met with great interest by different sectors within the library community.

Many issues of the Association's newsletter, *Stikknoten*, are now available electronically via the Association website, and the rest will be available by the end of 2009. The minutes of many meetings are now also available on the site. Information from the Association's previous website, thought to be lost due to a host problem, has now been located. Some of this information will be transferred to the new site.

On 5 November, the Norwegian and Danish Music Library Associations held a joint meeting in Oslo. Plans for a Nordic Music Library meeting in Copenhagen in 2010 in conjunction with the music conservatory librarians meeting were discussed, as well as how the associations can cooperate to improve the educational opportunities for music librarians. Concrete proposals were suggested, including one regarding the efforts of the Norwegian and Danish Associations on



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possible changes in IAML. This has so far been successful, and we now wish to propose for the IAML-board to initiate a survey among IAML members in order to collect more information on both our initiatives as well as IAML and the yearly conferences generally.

At the request of the Norwegian Library Association, the NMLA contributed comments and suggestions to a national plan for digitisation.

Representation

The Norwegian Library Association's meeting on copyright, 17 January: Tone Nøtvik Jakobsen and Ann Kunish. The Norwegian Library Association's annual meeting in Bergen, 6-8 March: seven board members. IAML Annual Conference. Napoli, 20-25 July: Ann Kunish and Siren Steen. Grants were awarded to Berit Holth, Norwegian National Library; Inger-Mari Malm, University of Tromsø; and Kari Jaobsen, Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation. Each received NOK 5000 for participation at the IAML-conference in Napoli.

Siren Steen

Leader, IAML (Norway)