ICRIS Informal Meeting  
Cleveland, Ohio  
Thursday, 26 April 2018

Participants: Jenny DeWet, Katharina Munk, Mary Newbery (ISC/SCI), Joan Shapiro, Diana Witt, Pilar Wyman  
Minute-taker: Pilar Wyman

1. Welcome and Regrets  
Meeting opened by ASI International Representative Pilar Wyman at 5:16 p.m. Pilar welcomed all participants to this informal meeting. The next informal meeting will be at the Canadian conference meeting in Winnipeg, 7 June 2018.

2. Society News  
ASAIB (Jenny deWet)  
Not many new faces at ASAIB meetings or in classes, and no new technology being used as of this time.

DNI (Katharina Munk)  
International Directory? The Germans have received request for an international directory or listing of indexers and wonder if there is interest. It was pointed out that the ICRIS web page directs people to society directories. Perhaps this should be improved and made more accessible or easy to find? It seems this is something to consider, for sure.

ISC/SCI (Mary Newbery)  
Nothing to report at this time

ASI (Joan Shapiro)  
ASI Board member Joan Shapiro shared news from the new ASI Publisher Outreach initiative, including sample letters for indexers to use in communication with publishers (the "Palgrave Publisher letter"). Copies of this letter will be made available via the ASI Digital Publications Indexing (DPI) SIG. ANZSI has also provided a similar letter which is useful and which is also being made available. This is an ongoing issue for all of us and work continues. ASI welcomes contributions to this initiative.