

Date: December 1, 2008

Name of Section/Roundtable: Business Archives Section

Officers:

Chair: Dean Weber

Vice Chair/Chair Elect: Scott Pitol

Immediate Past Chair: Tony Jahn

Secretary: Susan Watson

Editor: Amy Stephenson

Vice Editor: Shawn San Roman

Member-at-large: Megan Moholt

Report from annual meeting:

- Number of attendees: 78
- Election results:
 - Vice Chair/Chair Elect: Scott Pitol (ran unopposed)
 - Secretary: Susan Watson (ran unopposed)
 - Vice Editor: Shawn San Roman (ran unopposed)
 - Member-at-large: Megan Moholt (48% in a three-way race)
- Summary of meeting activities:
 - The section held no general meetings, other than that held at the Annual Meeting.

Discussions at the meeting centered on assessing support for an Advanced Business Archives Workshop, as discussed below.

Completed projects/activities

Conducted first all-online election of officers.

Conducted Business Archives Colloquium on Wed., August 27. Five section members presented on their experiences with efforts at outreach in their own archives.

Ongoing projects/activities

New projects/activities

The section has put together a working group to develop a new two day (tentative) Advanced Business Archives Workshop. The tentative plan is to offer the workshop as a stand-alone workshop in the fall of 2009 and possibly as a pre-conference workshop at the 2010 Annual Meeting. The team is working with SAA Education as well as Elizabeth Adkins and Phil Mooney, instructors for the current Business Archives Introductory workshop.

Because of severe budget constraints in the business archives community, we anticipate that attendance at next year's annual meeting will be down. Many members already know that they will have to pay their own way, if they are able to attend at all. We are looking into the possibility of making our 2009 Business Archives Colloquium available as a webinar for section members unable to attend the Annual Meeting.

Diversity initiatives

Questions/concerns for Council attention