

I&A Steering Committee  
2016 March 9  
Conference Call

**Last Meeting Follow-up:** [none, due to lengthy New Business]

**New Business:**

- A. Research Team Pilot—status updates:
  - a) Legislators teams: the three team leaders shared the legislator spreadsheet with team members; Laurel's team is working on first legislator.
  - b) On-Call team (Alison): three volunteers so far, with each to compile five references to Brazil video archives fire. Goal: a research post by end of March.
  - c) On-Call team (Christine): to compile a bibliography of sources discussed in #archivessowhite (“whiteness” of archives/library communities) by March 18; interview three people involved in the discussion by first week in April; a primary author writes blog post with others as editors; incorporate tweets into the post.
  - d) General News Media team (Jeremy): divided up news sources, with each person having two now and will add more later; will proceed from there. Sources: BBC, NPR, CNN, NYTimes, Washington Post, etc.
- B. I&A “Great Advocates” program for SAA 2016: we have five nominations so far; send emails and reminders to SAA groups and other archival groups also; do a blog series on or with the Great Advocates.
- C. Coordination among advocacy groups.
  - a) CAAP, COPA, I&A, RAAC [SAA groups]—planning another joint meeting (information sharing) for June.
  - b) SAA supports creating an advocacy “key contact” list with representatives from all advocacy groups.
  - c) COPA (Committee on Public Awareness) now has an archives advocacy blog called Archives AWARE! [<https://archivesaware.archivists.org/>].
  - d) CoSA-NAGARA-SAA Joint Working Group on Issues and Awareness [<http://tinyurl.com/j97rc5k>]—webinar was held March 24; Wendy attended for I&A Roundtable.
- D. History Caucus blog post. If we want to contact our U.S. representative, please do so by March 11. Wendy will draft a blog post; we can add sentences about our experiences. Blog was posted March 23: <http://tinyurl.com/jab84pm>
- E. AACR/RAO/I&A Twitter chat/program (May 24). Christine will keep us updated.
- F. Intern for I&A Advocacy Toolkit revision, working with RAAC. Rachel Mandell was chosen as the intern; she will do a blog post. Initial meeting with RAAC is March 22.
- G. Microsite clean-up. Everyone take a look and note down what is outdated.
- H. I&A Polls—next steps. Revisit later.
- I. Meetups at regional archives conferences. MARAC is April 15—Christine will explore and keep us updated.