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**President's Report
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I think we were all happy to see 2021 arrive and the year has taken off with some very significant initiatives for SAA.

Much of my time has been focused in two major areas: the A*CENSUS II project and the search for a new executive director.

Work on A*CENSUS II has included regular meetings with the project team and the first two meetings of the SAA member working group. Good progress has been made on the preliminary steps and I appreciate all of the work of our Working Group volunteers as well as Beth Myers (working group chair) and Nancy Beaumont and our partners at ITHAKA S+R, Makala Skinner and Christine Wolff-Eisenberg.

The executive director search has also gotten up to speed. Our executive search firm, Vetted Solutions, has been working with the Search Committee to develop a position profile, a process that has included conversations with staff and a survey of various stakeholders. We have an aggressive timeline through the spring and look forward to being able to announce a new executive director before the Annual Meeting in August.

Additionally, I continue to meet weekly with Nancy and Vice President Courtney Chartier and monthly with the full Executive Committee. Additionally, I have participated in quarterly calls with the leadership of CoSA, NAGARA, and Meg Phillips from NARA.