

and the budget next year will have net return of \$587. Special groups and taskforces may not have winter meetings. Membership has turned the corner with 5760 members in good standing, 23% are student members. Membership is at an all-time high. Bruce encouraged members to come to the business meeting on Saturday. Two questions in front of the membership require votes. First item for voting—a dues increase. Mr. Ambacher encouraged us to adopt the increase. Best practices recommendations say 35% should come from dues. SAA is currently at 29%. Sales of pubs and meetings are down. Dues are also down. There is also a constitutional amendment that needs to be voted on. The amendment calls for membership to be dropped after 28 days if it has not been renewed rather than allowing members a grace period of 90 days. Question of how membership should vote. Ability to discuss at business meeting, record it, make it available and then vote 30 days later. Electronic voting has only produced 25% of membership. Council approved 2 best practices: BP for accommodating workers with physical disabilities; BP for accommodating users with physical disabilities. Approved draft statement of values. Code of ethics is aspirational. Statement of values reinforces definitions of appraisal. Percentage of voting in business meetings? Low. Added cost for on-line voting. Cost is 1500 for cost of on-line voting of council. Election of officers is run outside of SAA.

Nancy Melley, from NHPRC addressed ERS. Nancy is the Director for Technology and Initiative—Digitization and Electronic Records programs. She will be in booth 35 in the exhibit hall.

Program - The ERS heard updates from the Blue Ribbon Task Force and from the GeoMAPP team.

Brian LaVoie—Blue Ribbon Task Force, reported on findings from the report including sustainable resources. Raw materials that fuel growth. Raw materials of research, learning and creative expression. New complications and challenges in digital age. Need sustainable digital preservation activities. Some talk about technical sustainable. Others discuss social sustainability. How do we provision? Discuss Economic sustainability : Critically important part of infrastructure. Been ignored. JISC, National Science Foundation, <http://brtf.sdsc.edu/>.

Practical recommendations and guidelines as they tried to shape. Published in Feb. 2010. Sustainable economics not just on funds, compelling value proposition. Not going to solve it by making more funds available. We have to ensure resource expenditures occur where there is a clear value to decision makers. Stakeholders have a clear sense of their roles and responsibilities. Developed General sustainability principles. Preservation is not a once and for all decisions. Occur over a period of time. Dynamics. Need to anticipate and make contingency plans. Used to the idea that economic risks change over time. Managing the demand side of preservation. Think about user communities. Need to aggregate dispersed demand across space and time. Preservation incentives—make sure we address them and create them if necessary.

GeoMAPP The GeoMAPP team, representatives from NC, UT, and KY presented on their findings to date on the preservation of and access to GIS data. GIS data is complex and has ongoing issues with file formats and file naming. Often a GIS file is comprised of several ancillary files that must be put together in a way that makes sense in order for them to be transferred and opened by the receiving entity. The three states are looking at .shp files, file geodatabases, and geospatial .pdfs as potential preservation file formats.

Respectfully submitted by Erin O’Meara ERS Steering Committee and Immediate Past Chair

Questions/Concerns for Council Attention: [None submitted]

Government Records Section (Liaison: Ambacher/Theimer)

Officers:

Robynne Dexter – Past vice Chair, and Acting Chair due to absence of Current Chair Elle Kidd who is unable to attend. (She assumes Chair at the conclusion of this meeting) (2010 – 2011)

Bonita Weddle – Vice Chair (2010 – 2011) Will be Chair (2011 – 2012)
Mark Conrad – Federal Rep (2009 – 2011)
Albin Wagner – State Rep (2009 – 2011)
Sarah Pullin – Local Rep (2009 – 2011)
Sarah Canby Jackson - Local Rep (2010-2012)

Report from annual meeting: Number of attendees: 43; Election results: See above list of committee members

Summary of meeting activities: Reports were made from the Council of State Archivists, National Association of Government Archives and Record Managers. As in the past we had invited a speaker for our meeting. Michael Rhode spoke about the National Museum of Health and Medicine's Archives.

Completed projects/activities: Collaboration on proposals for annual meeting with the Latin-American /Caribbean Heritage Archivists Roundtable.

Ongoing projects/activities: More collaboration and working with various sections and groups of the SAA especially those in relation to governmental work, such as the governments of Latin America and the Caribbean and Tribal units as well as Records Management. Consideration being made to increase the steering committee so the positions of Federal State and Local Rep are included as well as Chair, Vice Chair. At the present with an election, two of the representatives become leadership. We would like a more rounded board.

New projects/activities: None at this time

Diversity initiatives: Collaboration with various governmental units, as described above.

Questions/concerns for Council attention: None at this time

Manuscript Repositories Section (Liaison: Hyry)

Officers:

Fernanda Perrone, Chair
Elizabeth Russey Roke, Vice-Chair/Chair Elect/Newsletter Editor
Sammie Morris, Past Chair
Laura Carroll, Web Liaison

Steering Committee:

Chris Burns, 2009-2011
Deborah Dandridge, 2009-2011
Ellen Doon, 2010-2012
L. Rebecca Johnson Melvin, 2010-2011
Renna Tuten, 2010-2012
Anke Voss, 2010-2012

Report from annual meeting: Number of attendees: 126. Election results: The membership elected Elizabeth Russey Roke as Vice-Chair/Chair Elect and Ellen Doon, Renna Tuten, and Anke Voss to the Steering Committee. Summary of meeting activities:

Minutes, Manuscript Repositories Section Meeting