

## **Breakout Session: The Future of the Section**

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#### Ideas:

1. Concerns of small colleagues. How to ensure consistent adequate representation of small colleges in C&UA leadership?

Staggered elections? E.g., in odd years, have all candidates from small institutions run against each other?

Develop a mechanism for similar types of institutions within C&UA to work together. Sub-sections?

Breakout discussion groups by institution size / type?

2. Session proposals: suggest that folks submitting proposals that are specific to C&U issues for SAA 2011 note on their proposal forms that the C&UA group is one third of the membership (not sure if that is correct) and that is a broad audience.

3. Complaints about dates of SAA often conflicting with dates of semester starting, discussion of history of this complaint.

4. C&UA "Guidelines" document: would there be another way to move this forward?

Discussion of why it was not approved by Council in 2005, suggestions about re-framing it in terms of best practices.

5. start a C&UA blog as a way to engage membership.

6. Annual section meetings. To save on time, try to have some information (like Council rep's report, program committee, etc.) shared online? Possible topics for future programs: archives orientation training; advocacy; success stories/

7. Newsletter / blog as forum for sharing "success stories".

8. How does C&UA tie into SAA's strategic goals? (suggestion - review the section's diversity report to council, submitted a few years ago by Betsy Pittman, as an example of the section supporting SAA goals.)