• The Electronic Records Section leadership and Steering Committee are actively pursuing collaboration with the Electronic Records Committee of the Congressional Records Round Table, including sponsored blog posts and a livestreamed interview.
• ERS leadership is also updating the ERS bylaws to account for online voting and to account for steering committee membership revisions, including:
  • Addition of the Communications Liaison, to replace former Web Liaison
  • Addition of the Immediate Past Chair, to provide more structured responsibility around the position of the immediate past chair
  • Other revisions and additions as needed
• The ERS is also analyzing how to best meet the commitments outlined in the 2013-2018 Strategic Plan

2010-2013 Strategic Priority – Technology Initiatives: The ERS blog is intended to fulfill the 2010-2013 technology strategic priority. The ERS is committed to using the blog as a platform to disseminate technological guidance.

2010-2013 Strategic Priority – Diversity Initiatives: Nothing to report.

2010-2013 Strategic Priority – Advocacy/Public Awareness Initiatives: Nothing to report.

Initiatives associated with the new 2013-2018 Strategic Plan: The proposed ERS blog will align with key goals in the Society of American Archivists Strategic Plan, 2014-2018:
• promoting the value of archives and archivists (1.1)
• delivering information and education via accessible and affordable methods (2.2)
• fostering and disseminating research in and about the field (3.2)
• facilitating effective communication and creating opportunities for members to participate fully in the association (4.1-4.2)

Questions/concerns for Council attention: N/A.

Submitted by: Martin Gengenbach, Chair, Electronic Records Section

Government Records Section (Liaison: Smith)

Date: August 19, 2014
Officers:
Chair, Dave Evans, Liquor Control Board of Ontario (LCBO)
Vice-chair/Chair-elect, Dennis Riley, Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation
Immediate Past Chair, Mark Myers, Texas State Library and Archives Commission

Steering Committee Members:
Christopher Felker, University of California (2012-2014)
Genevieve Preston-Chavez, San Bernardino County Historical Archives (2012-2014)
Report from annual meeting:

- Number of attendees: 62 members attended.
- Election results: We had 9 candidates for 4 seats and all vacancies for the different government sectors were contested. With a slate of strong candidates, the voting was close and included two ties that were decided in accordance with the GRS bylaws. The new members of the GRS steering committee are:
  - Casey A. Coleman, National Archives & Records Administration (Federal)
  - Jennifer Day, City of Oklahoma, City Clerk’s Office (Local)
  - Dorothy Fouche, Alabama Department of Archives and History (State)
  - Dawn Youngblood, Tarrant County Archives (Local)

Also, in the tradition of the GRS, by which the individual with the most overall votes is chosen as the Vice-Chair/Chair-elect, Casey Coleman will assume that position. Furthermore, Dorissa Martinez, Richard Nixon Presidential Library & Museum, was appointed as section Web Liaison.

- Summary of meeting activities: See attached meeting minutes (Attachment 1).

Completed projects/activities: No projects were completed during this reporting period.

Ongoing projects/activities: Dave Evans and John Slate continue work on their local government records projects to identify repositories that maintain local government records in the U.S. and Canada.

New projects/activities: No new projects were initiated during the reporting period.

2010-2013 Strategic Priority – Technology Initiatives: The steering committee explored the possibility of live-streaming the annual meeting, but decided against pursuing this at the 2014 annual meeting. This will be revisited with the intent of live-streaming the 2015 meeting.

2010-2013 Strategic Priority – Diversity Initiatives: The section’s Nominations Committee worked hard to recruit a diverse selection of candidates, which was reflected in this year’s contested elections. These efforts will continue in 2014-2015.

2010-2013 Strategic Priority – Advocacy/Public Awareness Initiatives: None were initiated during the reporting period.

Initiatives associated with the new 2013-2018 Strategic Plan: None were initiated during the reporting period.

Questions/concerns for Council attention: We request that Council approve the section bylaws as amended (attached) which were adopted at the annual meeting (Attachment 2).