NAAS November Meeting Agenda
Monday, November 22, 2021
3:00–4:00 p.m. EST

1. SAA UPDATES

DEIA Statement Approved - follow up on our recommendations - Diana
- Saw via post to communities from Headquarters today posted Nov 19

SAA Diversity Committee - Eric & Selena (+ Diana)
- General Committee updates - Selena
- Separate meeting Nov 15 (Diversity + NAAS + Memberships) - Selena & Diana
  - Some discussion of training and collaboration
  - Most of discussion on expanding out our scholarship model to wider SAA
  - Shared our original proposal—they would like to work as a group to propose a wider scholarship program geared at BIPOC membership (and perhaps leadership) citing our scholarships as a successful model
  - Draft summary of these ideas to share with our respective groups - by the EOB Tuesday Dec 7, 2021 Alaska Time (5pm AST/ 7pm PST/10 pm ET)
    - Membership Committee will not meet in December but will send out to their members for feedback -- Diversity Committee will plan on sharing at the next committee meeting on December 8 (AAC also to share)

2. PROJECT UPDATES

Protocols Webinars & Toolkit
- Going back to the Protocols originator group, waiting on Jennifer’s next update
- Haven’t heard back from Descriptive Notes/Description Section group

3. NEW GOALS FOR 2021-2022

- Creating resources/webinars/MOOCs for Tribal archivists
  - IAIA Archives and Research Center for Contemporary Native Arts collaboration (Ryan Flahive)
    - Oral histories/ or other
    - Students, emerging professionals
    - Ryan is excited for this idea
    - Nov 8
      - Meeting with Ryan, Selena, Diana
- what are archives? What is a community archives? Why form them? Establish the rest of the series -- what do people think archives are? Looking at other models → e.g. museums - what is archives? Are we reaching people who need to be invested?
- consider how self-determination is/can be reflected and supported by Tribal archives -- how do Tribes determine and create their own records?
- Radical set of conversations -- not really arrangement and description/lexicon and nomenclature; how do we enact change in way meaningful
- Consider examples from both museums and archives
- unlearning what has standardized the archives profession;
- records management piece -- if done properly records management programs feed official permanent records
- How do you get that authority? How is it established?
- practical skill building -- 1) electronic records management (DAMS -- what mean store properly? Hard drives? IT and server and NAS?); 2) appraisal
- case studies DAMS like a lot -- what it takes to run a backend database with front-facing component; inviting vendors talk about software?
- what do you do when you don’t have access to the resources? How get past that barrier?

■ DM Meeting with Patricia Hswe Nov 5 after sending “pitch” Nov 3
  ● “Unlearning Archival Practices” (examples exemplary work + struggles)
  ● See Mellon proposal/pitch/notes document here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1guBav-8nqfDz21CoWTbUZd3QExElYAjhlvE8-SSjF4/edit?usp=sharing

■ ATALM -- intensive workshops that lead to certificates as alternative to conference? Responded that we are interested but waiting to hear back

Other: Any updates?

■ Increase membership of Indigenous-associated folks (attending meetings, Steering Committee members)
  ○ In addition to above update on Diversity Committee, also followed-up on scholarships on Oct 28. See if we can make this about Indigenous folks running for Steering Committee . . .

● Tribal Archivists Forum: Space to connect and chat and talk about issues
○ Report on connectivity/broadband

- Promoting community-based work (veteran’s projects; cult heritage; reparative description in other contexts; community curation)
  ○ Updates to microsite? (Katherine, Diana, Rachel)

4. ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

   NAA Director (DM) DUE NOV 30