**SAA Committee on Public Policy**
**Action Items – 6-9 Month Plan**
**2017**
**(as of 29 November 2016)**

**Issues Pending Updates**
1. Privacy in Federal Records
   - Update on latest Council consideration.

**Priority Issues**
2. Declassification
   - Pending updated draft with goal to submit at either the January or Spring Council meetings.
3. Police Mobile Cameras
   - Pending draft with goal to submit to Council at either the January or Spring Council meetings.
4. Government Surveillance / Immigration/Muslim Registry
   - Member request was forwarded to Executive Committee and COPP has been asked to consider a broader statement that can refer to examples like the registry so that when the time comes SAA will be ready and can respond quickly.
   - Chair had discussions with DHS contacts whose expertise is entry/exit and border control policy.  Per DHS it may be too early to have any definitive position despite the urge to take a pre-emptive stand.
   - From the DHS perspective, the government already tracks to a large degree PPI on foreigners who enter the country (i.e. I-94 forms, visa name check database, biometric passports) which accomplish the bulk of what NSEERs did. The existing gap is tracking individuals once they enter the country and there seems to be acknowledgement that such a task is beyond the capabilities of DHS.
   - COPP to review https://www.dhs.gov/compliance to understand the PIAs and SORNS for the various databases (i.e. ADIS, APIS, TECS, IDENT & IDENT Interoperability), to see the points where people are screened, and how the information is shared and stored.
5. Archives 2017 – Portland
   - Preliminary discussions underway regarding a noon-time forum
6. Legislative Advocacy / Data Collection
   - Assuming there are going to be public policy issues of concern (i.e. funding cuts) from the new administration, how can we best position SAA to be nimble enough to react?
   - In order to support our positions, is there a way to collect data that demonstrates how archives impact the communities we serve?
   - Do we want to use the Presidential Transition document as a basis for proactively reaching out to members of Congress?
   - AAM has some easy to replicate models that might be worth pursuing, such as: a. August recess (http://www.aam-us.org/advocacy/take-action/advocacy-alerts/20140805) which could be a great way to engage members not at the Annual Meeting

- Economic Impact Statement (http://www.aam-us.org/advocacy/resources/economic-impact-statement)
- Educational Impact Statement (http://www.aam-us.org/advocacy/resources/educational-impact-statement)

**Near-Term Issues**
7. Over Classification
   - Plan for August Council meeting.

**Issues on the Shelf**
8. Congressional Records as Public Records/Government Property
9. Follow-up to Federal Records Management issue brief
   - On hold pending movement by the new administration
10. Statement of Support re No Copyright in Legislation
11. AOTUS Qualifications
    - Drafting subgroup completed updating this, but decision was made to hold this until such time as AOTUS position becomes vacant.
12. Governors Records Review

**Completed Issues**
13. FOIA Update
    - Council approved 11/2016
14. ALA-SAA Joint Statement on Access to Archival Materials
    - Council approved 11/2016
15. Presidential Transition
    - Approved by SAA, CoSA, NAGARA, RAAC

**OBE Issues**
Pending further developments, and there being no objection, these issues are no longer active.
16. Guns in Archives Reading Rooms
17. Statement on the Senate Torture Report