

COPA Meeting Agenda

March 3rd 12pm MST

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Note Taker:

- Claudia Willett

Present:

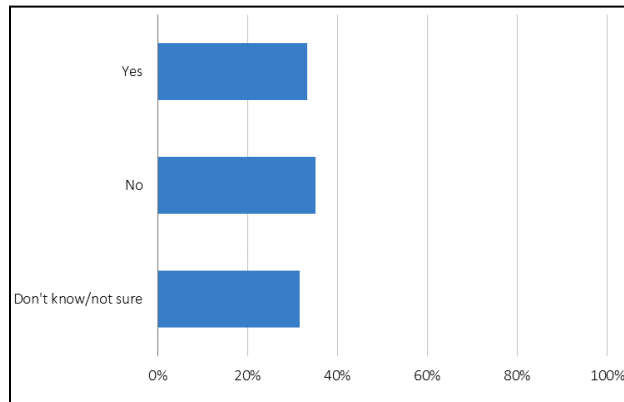
- Angie Piccolo, Felicity Knox, Sidney Louie, Elizabeth Rivera, Claudia Willett

Agenda:

- I. From Council: No Council representative / update
 - A. Tomaro Taylor resigned; lack of transparency from Council
 - B. Where are we needed?
- II. Discussion on [A*CENSUS II data](#).
 - A. **ACTION ITEM:** Next month think about how to use the A*CENSUS II data and the topics, such as union membership/solidarity in libraries. Look at different resources and find ways to connect and find space with similar shared issues within the action forward perspective.

- a. [Organize Your Library! Developing the Collective Power of Library Workers \(Critical Cultural Information Studies series\)](#)

- i. maybe connecting with one or more of these authors for ArchivesAware?
- ii. A mini-series on organizing and advocacy locally/federally?
 1. Data showed a ~33/33/33 split on respondents interest in unions including “not sure” responses



- b. [Solidarity is for librarians: Lessons from organizing](#)

- i. Find current examples of library/archive unions or bargaining units
- c. Forty-seven percent of respondents working for government agencies work at the federal level of government (see Figure 15).
 - i. Would it be weird to contact an archivist who has been fired from their job with the federal government and interview them?

- B. **ACTION ITEM:** Identify resources that should be linked to niche groups.

- A. Continue adding to the list of ideas for blog posts.

III. ArchivesAWARE Updates

- A. **ONGOING ACTION ITEM:** (Each member should bring at least one idea to the next meeting.)
- B. CORDA Love Data week in February
- C. Storytelling/Finding Aid to My Soul Updates
- D. Work with COPP to develop a script for at-risk or impacted archivists to reach out to their elected officials; general language for concerned community members
 - 1. <https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials/> → **Angie to reach out to COPP**
- E. CW: I encourage a volunteer to follow up with Elizabeth Kata <E.Kata@iaea.org> and Adam Kriesberg <adam.kriesberg@simmons.edu> for blog posts. I don't have capacity right now but they are worth pursuing. I have them on the blog planning spreadsheet
- F. Advice for Hard Times-Emotional wellbeing during employment gaps; compile advice; put together a call to the listserv and ask people to contribute; free resources and courses; SAA mentor program
 - 1. Put a call out for archivists to share the risks to materials with the staff cuts/firings → **send an email to Julia to talk about sending that out In The Loop**
- G. Advocacy Alerts- Similar to showcasing events during Archives Month, but with events put on by local or federal archives if any.
 - 1. **Reach out to local organizations that are doing on the ground / local support**
 - 2. **Celebrate your deeds; support your needs**
- H. Who are We: Infographics using Acensus Data
 - 1. [Museum-Facts-2022-v2.pdf](#)

IV. Other

- A. Monthly group meeting between RAAC, COPP, and COPA? Yearly group meeting this month or next month. Either a separate meeting or part of COPA's monthly meeting.
 - 1. Tuesday March 18th,

This is a reminder email that we will have our joint advocacy meeting next Tuesday, March 18th at 10am PST/1pm EST

Here is a link to the Zoom

[tps://wbd.zoom.us/j/99263093076?pwd=1Dx9gmHKY4sovHulSrDyYEz5tThkzN.1](https://wbd.zoom.us/j/99263093076?pwd=1Dx9gmHKY4sovHulSrDyYEz5tThkzN.1)

And here is an outline of an agenda. Please feel free to add anything you want

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wIDBXC_HdiLkzzETrUS6EkthTzDPRfJqNFUizN39DfA/edit?usp=sharing

B. Think about what we should do for the new strategic plan and goals for COPA.