

SAA Native American Archives Section Meeting
Tuesday, October 6, 2020

- Present:
 - Rose Buchanan
 - Diana Marsh
 - Caitlin Haynes
 - Melissa Stoner
 - Jonathan Pringle
 - Nathan Sowry
 - Rachel Menyuk
 - Lisa Posas
 - Julie Hause
 - Selena Ortega-Chiolero
 - Jackie Beckey
 - Nicole Topich
 - Katherine Satriano
 - Eric Hung

- Meeting began at approximately 12:03 p.m. PST with introductions

- Section Business
 - 2019-2020 NAAS Annual Report was submitted last month and will be posted on the NAAS microsite soon

 - SAA approved the release of our Protocols 101 session and it is now freely available on YouTube

 - Rose and Melissa attended the SAA Diversity Section meeting last week
 - Meeting largely focused on feedback received during the *Community Reflection on Black Lives and Archives*
 - Rose volunteered NAAS to help the Diversity Section with developing policies, etc., relating to this feedback for consideration by SAA Council
 - Overall, the section seems very open to collaboration and NAAS section members agreed we should take advantage of the opportunity since our missions are aligned

- Current NAAS Projects
 - Webinar Series
 - Fourth webinar has been recorded and should be posted on our Sustainable Heritage Network page next week
 - Fifth webinar should be recorded this week

 - Sustainable Heritage Network Resources
 - NAAS currently has twelve resources on our Sustainable Heritage Network page that will be included in our Protocols 101 Toolkit
 - These materials currently lack metadata that will make them discoverable by SHN users
 - Rose has asked each NAAS member to choose one of the twelve resources and identify relevant metadata terms from SHN's approved list of headings

 - Case Study Series
 - Arizona State University case study is still being written and they have extended their due date until December 2020

- Diana's case study has been copyedited by SAA Publications and has been returned to the authors for final review before posting
 - Decolonizing Research Rooms Article/Blog Post
 - Diana discussed the general arrangement of the current working document and asked for feedback to reduce the length
 - Next submission deadline for *Archival Outlook* is October 16; might need to postpone submission until later this year
 - NAAS Outreach
 - NAAS recently distributed a press release aimed at archival educators using our outreach contacts spreadsheet
 - Section had a brief discussion about adding more contacts from international programs
- New NAAS Projects
 - Collaboration with SAA Archivists and Archives of Color Section
 - Recently met with ACC to discuss ways NAAS can collaborate with them:
 - Possible ideas:
 - General resource sharing
 - Conference-style talks
 - Hosting or proposing a virtual forum on how linked data can help uncover hidden archival resources
 - Section members discussed various ways we could use existing conferences/projects/platforms to do this
 - General consensus is that NAAS is interested in exploring collaboration so we will revisit this discussion later
 - Virtual Forum for Tribal Archivists:
 - NAAS had a general brainstorming session about this potential forum
 - Original idea was to host a forum using SAA's Zoom account on Tuesday, December 1 when ATALM 2020 was supposed to take place
 - Could use the forum to attempt to remedy disconnects between Tribal archives/cultural centers and federal or academic repositories/institutions
 - Tribal institutions often try to follow best practices or standards from professional organizations like SAA, but these standards do not always match cultural practices or ways of managing information or materials
 - Would be interesting to share these different ways of managing cultural heritage with non-Native institutions
 - Discussed the idea of hosting an unconference, providing opportunities for actual conversations, breakout rooms, etc.
 - Rose will reach out to ATALM to see if they would like to officially collaborate with NAAS on something like this
- Due to time, other items on the agenda were tabled until our next meeting
- Meeting concluded at approximately 1:01 p.m. PST