**SAA Native American Archives Section (NAAS) Steering Committee**

**Meeting Minutes for Friday, January 22, 2021**

**Present:**

* Rose Buchanan
* Diana Marsh
* Nicole Topich
* Jonathan Pringle
* Jackie Beckey
* Katherine Meyers
* Selena Ortega-Chiolero
* Rachel Menyuk
* Julie Hause
* Eric Hung
* Christina Hummel-Colla
* Nathan Sowry

The meeting began at approximately 12:00 p.m. PST

* SAA Updates:
  + Candidates for the 2021 SSA Election have been posted online: [https://www2.archivists.org/news/2021/ballot-set-for-2021-saa-election](https://meet.google.com/linkredirect?authuser=0&dest=https%3A%2F%2Fwww2.archivists.org%2Fnews%2F2021%2Fballot-set-for-2021-saa-election)
  + 2021 SAA Annual Meeting
    - Meeting website: <https://www2.archivists.org/am2021>
    - Scheduled for July 31-August 7, 2021
    - Was originally going to be held in Anaheim, CA, but will now be totally virtual
    - Deadline for program proposals was January, 13, 2021
* NAAS Updates:
  + Collaboration with SAA Diversity Committee
    - Held a meeting January 14, 2021 where the discussion focused on the feedback from their *Community Reflection on Black Lives and Archives*
    - Feedback is being sent to SAA Council for review
    - Meeting minutes are posted online: <https://www2.archivists.org/groups/diversity-committee>
    - Plans for the next Diversity Forum are ongoing
  + *Archival Outlook* Article
    - The final draft of “Toward Inclusive Reading Rooms: Recommendations for Decolonizing Practices and Welcoming Indigenous Researchers” was submitted to SSA on January 8th
    - Can be found in the January/February 2021 issue of *Archival Outlook*: <https://mydigitalpublication.com/publication/?m=30305&i=690860&p=6>
  + Case Studies Series
    - Case study from Arizona State University Library has already gone through peer-review and has been sent to SAA Publications
    - Regarding our questions about republishing/reusing case studies and DOIs:
      * Case studies published through SAA are not assigned DOIs
      * Authors maintain copyright over their case studies, so they may be republished or repurposed in any way as long as there are no conflicts with the original publishing entity
  + Archival Educators Press Release
    - Diana sent the press release to AERI (Archival Education and Research Initiative) and added some new international program contact information to our outreach directory
    - Sharing the press release appears to have had an impact on the usage metrics for our resources on our Sustainable Heritage Network site
  + ATALM Collaboration
    - Tribal Archives Needs Assessment survey closed on January 8th
    - Next step will be National Planning Council planning meetings – the first Archives Summit Planning Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 4th at 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Central Time
    - Archives Summit will be held on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Central Time
    - Rose will send out the Zoom information to those that did not receive it from ATALM
  + NAAS Webinar Series
    - We have requested a deadline extension to wrap up the grant
    - Awaiting contact information for fifth webinar presenters to process their honorarium
    - Final webinar is being processed by SHN and should be posted later this month
    - Need to post the link to the fourth webinar on the NAAS microsite
    - Toolkit Development
      * Jennifer sent her toolkit resources to volunteers from NAAS and has asked for comments by January 29th
      * Needs the most help with Accessibility and Use, Culturally Sensitive Materials, Awareness of Native American Communities and Issues sections
      * Still exploring the best channel for posting this information
  + Collaboration with SAA Description Section
    - SAA Description Section contacted us about submitting a summary of our case study series for their blog
    - If we are interested, they have requested that we submit a proposal by February 1st, blog post would not be due until later
  + Rose proposed posting a mid-year check-in on the NAAS listserv – the steering committee approved
  + Collaboration with Archivists and Archives of Color Section
    - Our January meeting agenda included some ideas for our upcoming unconference with AAC:
      * Importance of oral histories and how to collect/preserve them ethically
      * Working in colonizer collections; helping people find records of underrepresented communities
      * Earning community trust
      * Reparative description
      * How collections are skewed toward whiteness and how to expand collecting practices
      * Navigating human rights/privacy issues in colonizer collections
      * Characteristics of exclusionary spaces and how to change them
      * How to be an advocate and not worry about setbacks
      * Uplifting people’s work and appreciating the challenges people face in being the only BIPOC person at an institution
    - NAAS is aiming on developing one or two presentations
    - Steering Committee members liked reparative description as a potential topic
      * Reparative description is happening in all types of institutions, may be a good subject for collaboration with another SAA section
      * Could also collaborate with external (non-SAA) groups
    - Steering Committee members were also interested in oral histories as a presentation subject
      * Many Native communities have lost elders due to COVID-19 and some are increasing their efforts to record oral histories to capture important traditional knowledge before it is too late
      * SAA Military Archives section is having a workshop on recording online oral histories on January 27th at 3:15 Eastern Time: <https://meet.google.com/vvb-wruf-xxh>
  + Collaboration with SAA Privacy and Confidentiality Section
    - Cohosting a workshop on privacy and confidentiality issues concerning Mukurtu this spring and asked if NAAS would want to participate or support this initiative
    - Several NAAS members discussed projects relating to Mukurtu
* Other News and Announcements
  + Rose checked in with our NAAS Tribal Archivist Scholarship recipients
  + Open Positions at University of New Mexico:
    - Library Information Specialist 3 – Doris Duke Oral History Project: [https://unm.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/18/home/requisition/14467?c=unm](https://meet.google.com/linkredirect?authuser=0&dest=https%3A%2F%2Funm.csod.com%2Fux%2Fats%2Fcareersite%2F18%2Fhome%2Frequisition%2F14467%3Fc%3Dunm)
    - Curator of Native American Collections: [https://unm.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/18/home/requisition/14467?c=unm](https://meet.google.com/linkredirect?authuser=0&dest=https%3A%2F%2Funm.csod.com%2Fux%2Fats%2Fcareersite%2F18%2Fhome%2Frequisition%2F14467%3Fc%3Dunm)
  + Society of Southwest Archivists – Foundations of Cultural Sensitive Metadata Workshop: <https://www.southwestarchivists.org/home/workshops/#Workshops>
    - Currently full, but Rose has asked if they will post the recording after the event
  + Center for Digital Scholarship and Curation (CDSC) Mukurtu Webinar Series:
    - Mukurtu 100 – Introduction and Overview
      * Recording available: <https://cdsc.libraries.wsu.edu/workshop/mukurtu-100/>
    - Mukurtu 101 – Project Planning and Site Basics
      * Recording available: <https://cdsc.libraries.wsu.edu/workshop/mukurtu-101/>
    - Mukurtu 102 – Extended Tools
      * Scheduled for February 16th, 2021: <https://cdsc.libraries.wsu.edu/workshop/mukurtu-102/>

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:55 p.m. PST