Regional Archival Associations Consortium
Steering Committee Meeting
September 21, 2021, 2:30-3:30 ET
Google Meet

Attendees: Courtney Bailey, Jeremy Brett, Kyna Herzinger, Cathy Miller, Kathy Smith, Jasmine Jones

1. **2021 RAAC Survey**
   a. Distribute via listserv 9/23
   b. Questions
      i. What organization do you represent?
      ii. What do you think RAAC’s mission and purpose are?
      iii. What do you think RAAC SHOULD be doing?
      iv. In what areas does your regional organization need support?
      v. What’s the best way for guidance to be pushed out from RAAC?
      vi. Would you be interested in collaborating with other organizations?
      vii. What kind of support from RAAC would your regional organization find helpful re: your advocacy efforts?
   c. Deadline of October 15
   d. Follow-up as necessary if feedback doesn’t come in on the survey form

2. **A*CENSUS II**
   a. They’ve reached out to organizations to “use” their contact lists for distribution, but we should also encourage participation

3. **SAA Council updates**
   a. Forum 9/24 on DEI work plan

4. **Upcoming meetings for CB**
   a. SAA, CoSA, NAGARA, and RAAC leaders with NARA (quarterly meetings) -- recent developments, plans for the year
   b. NARA meeting with civil society groups -- opportunities for representatives of civil society to ask questions or request information on NARA issues of interest to them. Recent topics have included declassification of national security information; the work of the Office of Government Information Services, the government's FOIA ombudsman; electronic records management; and implementation of the Presidential Records Act.

5. **What to do, what to do . . .**
   a. Spotlight of the month
   b. Quarterly confab
   c. Other possibilities from 2-year plan
   d. Encourage participation in RAAC through SAA Announcements list as well as with other organizations

6. **Other reports/requests**
   a. Joint Working Group on Issues and Awareness
      i. NARA statement on federal budget
ii. Preserving America’s Historical Records revision
iii. COPP looking into purge of emails after George Floyd incident
iv. Case legislation act -- ALA wants to protect individual archivists

b. Public Awareness plans to meet in October
c. Advocacy is setting up a meeting time