

Regional Archival Associations Consortium  
Steering Committee Meeting  
January 18, 2022, 2:30-3:30 ET

Attendees: Courtney Bailey, Jeremy Brett, Cathy Miller, Kathy Smith

1. SAA Council updates
  - a. participating in National Day of Racial Healing  
(<https://www2.archivists.org/news/2022/Take-action-on-national-day-of-racial-healing>)
2. Archival Associations + NARA meeting report
  - a. CoSA is looking for a new Executive Director and will create a new Deputy Director position
  - b. NAGARA is planning an in-person annual conference in Salt Lake City in July
  - c. AOTUS is retiring in April
  - d. NARA is releasing 1950 census in April 1
3. Other member reports
  - a. Joint Working Group on Issues and Awareness (Cathy)
    - i. Federal budget
    - ii. AOTUS qualifications
    - iii. Preserving America's Historical Record Act aka big funding initiative for archives
  - b. Advocacy (Cathy)
    - i. COPA and COPP have put in a proposal for a pre-conference workshop for this year's SAA annual meeting
    - ii. Planning to set up meetings with committee members
    - iii. Want to consider follow up on Eira Tansey's idea of hybrid archives conferences  
(<https://eiratansey.com/2021/08/02/weve-got-to-stop-meeting-like-this-a-proposal-for-hacs-hybrid-archives-conference-strategy/>)
  - c. Public Awareness (Kathy)
    - i. Planning to solicit participation from listserv
4. Planning for next 2 months
  - a. Speakers list  
([https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfzcsIqywdINWdj0uOIQcZsJyGdrpLSIKMsMo7K75569U6Qrw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfzcsIqywdINWdj0uOIQcZsJyGdrpLSIKMsMo7K75569U6Qrw/viewform?usp=sf_link))
    - i. Courtney will post survey to listserv
    - ii. Post responses monthly to listserv and microsite
  - b. Member engagement brainstorming session/coffee chat for January/February
    - i. Jeremy and Kathy will organize
    - ii. Develop questions/topics for discussion
    - iii. Reach out to particular people who can participate and share

- iv. For virtual meeting planning discussion – it'd be good to find out what time of year organizations tend to have meetings
- c. Listserv spotlights
  - i. Cathy will work on developing questions to pose