I&A Steering Committee
2016 April 13
Conference Call

New Business:

A. Research Teams Update:
   (a) Legislators teams (3): Sarah reminded her team of the deadline; Wendy and Laurel will
do so also with April 18 as the final deadline. Wendy will explore the possibility of
doing a blog post about the experience when we’re done.
   (b) On-Call (Alison): first blog post is done; will do another before SAA.
   (c) On-Call (Christine): the “archivesowhite” introductory post with bibliography is done
[http://tinyurl.com/gug8o4y]; two of the three total interviews are also ready. The last
interview will be posted before SAA.
   (d) General News Media (Jeremy): one team member left and will be replaced by a back-up
member; goal is two posts before SAA.
   (e) Other Professional Organizations (Tara): goal is two posts before SAA.

B. SAA 2016 Planning.
   (a) Business Meeting agenda will include updates from Steering Committee and from
Research Teams.
   (b) “Great Advocates” session: Seven advocates confirmed participation; we’re waiting to
hear from others. In-Person session at meeting (30-45 minutes)—of seven questions we
develop and inform panelists we will ask, (1) we plan to ask three questions at the session
and then invite audience questions; (2) we will ask panelists to answer all seven questions
in prior blog posts; (3) we’ll solicit yet more questions about the blog posts—via social
media—both in advance of the session, and during the meeting. Brainstorm potential
questions (include those suggested from I&A members) by May 11; panelists to write
responses by mid-June; post responses on blog in July.

C. Elections. The 2015 Bylaws revision calls for staggered Steering Committee terms. To
implement that, we will hold elections for four Steering Committee members: two to serve
one-year terms, and two to serve two-year terms. We also need a Vice-Chair. Ask nominees
to write their statements as Q&A blog posts. Calls for nominations throughout May (deadline
June 1); June 15—ballot information to SAA; July 1-7—elections.

D. I&A Intern and Advocacy Toolkit Collaboration Update. Wendy met with RAAC twice;
intern Rachel created a survey seeking Toolkit revisions; Christine drafted a blog post
announcing the survey and Toolkit revision; Mary and Andrew (RAAC) and Wendy
reviewed existing Toolkit; so survey and Toolkit revision before SAA.

E. Microsite clean-up. Toolkit links to microsite (doesn’t feed into WordPress). Minutes are in
several places—where should they go? Republish older microsite blogs onto WordPress?
Laurel, Wendy, and Christine will work on this.

F. Code of Conduct for the blog. Christine and Wendy will do.

G. ICYMI [meeting reports written for the blog]. We have a volunteer to write about a MARAC
session. Christine will recruit people at SAA 2016 to report on the advocacy-related sessions.
H. **I&A Polls**—Christine will summarize results of the poll conducted on Jeremy’s blog, “A Case of Conscience.” [http://tinyurl.com/j5yj55d](http://tinyurl.com/j5yj55d)

I. **State Historical Society of Iowa** update. SAA and CoSA are handling the issue.