2016-2017 SAA Section Annual Reports

General Information

1. Name of Section: Science, Technology & Health Care Section
2. Council Liaison: Kris Keisling
3. Report Submitter Information:
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4. Roster Updates: Please list all newly elected or appointed steering committee members. Include full name, position title, and term end date for each.
    - Eleanor (Eli) Brown, Co-Chair, 2019
    - Todd Kosmerick, Immediate Past Chair, 2018
    - Rebekah Kim, Web Liaison, 2020
    - Jennifer Ulrich, Steering Committee Member, 2020
    - Lorraine Richards, Steering Committee Member, 2020 (reappointed to another 3 year term)
5. Roster Updates: Please list the full name(s) of those rotating off the steering committee as of July 2017. (Visit the group's microsite to see the current roster.)
    - Nora Murphy
    - Myles Crowley
    - Christina Fidler
    - Jodi Koste

Projects and Activities

SAA's sections are integral to SAA's work on behalf of our members and the profession. For many members, sections represent their primary experience with SAA. Please indicate all projects and activities that your section has completed this year, continues to work on, or plans to implement in the next year.

6. Completed:
    - The STHC newsletter editor revised the guidelines for the newsletter (Archival Elements) in order to facilitate greater exchange of information about STHC events and collections. The end result was a larger and more informative newsletter issued in July 2017.
    - STHC members continued to be a resource for issues specific to science, technology and healthcare.
7. Ongoing:
    - In support of the SAA Statement on Diversity and Inclusion, we have initiated "Unsung Heroes in the History of STEM and Health Sciences," a web portal facilitating the exchange of information about collections documenting underrepresented and diverse persons and groups in STEM and health care.
    - In light of the transition from roundtable to section, we reviewed the STHC microsite and are developing a strategy to reorganize the information to make it more accessible to our membership.
    - STHC provides guidance for new policies and policy change, particularly related to access and privacy concerns related to healthcare records. A STHC member is the point

person for the HIPAA Resource Page website, and some members serve as liaisons with the American Association for the History of Medicine Ad Hoc Committee on Patient Records.

- We have been encouraging membership participation in discussion of all STHC issues, events, and collections through the listserv. There were 166 messages/responses on the listserv this past year, up from 90 in the previous year.

8. New:
- The section plans to submit an SAA session proposal about the Unsung Heroes project.
- The section is hosting an intern (University of Maryland graduate student Mark Coulbourne), who will assist the web liaison with revisions to the STHC microsite.

SAA Strategic Plan

SAA's Strategic Plan is the guiding document for the association. Please review the current Strategic Plan and indicate below how your section has contributed to each of the 4 main goals.

9. Goal 1: Advocating for Archives and Archivists
Our newsletter continues to be a quality vehicle for reporting our actions and successful projects as science, technology and healthcare archivists. This past year the newsletter editor implemented new guidelines to facilitate exchange of information about STHC events and collections. Two new sections, "Asking the Archivists" and "News from Our Members," helped bring in more information about archivists working with STEM and health care collections. This year we also addressed the SAA Statement on Diversity and Inclusion by implementing the "Unsung Heroes" project to highlight collections documenting underrepresented and diverse persons and groups in STEM and health care.

10. Goal 2: Enhancing Professional Growth
The program presentation (this year 5 lightning talks about use of STEM and health care collections for classes and cross-disciplinary research) during the section's annual meeting has been well-received and generated good discussions by members. Program presentations have always been an important part of our annual section meeting, and we will continue to solicit speakers with relevant topics and keep our program presentations in line with the theme of the SAA annual meeting or within themes aligning with STHC membership interests.

11. Goal 3: Advancing the Field
STHC members have played an active role in providing guidance for new policies and policy change related to access and privacy issues in health care records. STHC members are actively involved with the HIPAA Resource Page website and the American Association for the History of Medicine Ad Hoc Committee on Patient Records.

12. Goal 4: Meeting Members' Needs
STHC leadership remains dedicated to increasing new membership and promoting participation from section members by encouraging exchange of information on the listserv and through newsletter articles and by arranging interesting and relevant presentations during our annual meeting. One goal for the coming year is to reorganize the STHC microsite in order to facilitate membership access to information contained in it.

2017 SAA Annual Meeting

13. Number of Attendees: 60
14. Provide a summary of meeting activities and highlights.
    - Welcome by section co-chairs
    - SAA Council representative's report
    - Approval of 2016 Roundtable meeting minutes
    - Archival Elements (STHC newsletter) report
    - STHC website report
    - STHC listserv report
    - Heidelberg Workshop on Scientific Archives
    - Unsung Heroes project
    - STHC Section Program featuring 5 lightning talks about collecting STEM and health care holdings and using them for classes and cross-disciplinary research.
15. Link to meeting minutes on the section's microsite (optional):

Questions for the Council

1. Does your section have questions or concerns for the SAA Council? Include notes on potential budget requests for Fiscal Year 2019 (July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019):
   The STHC Section does not have any questions for Council.