Science, Technology and Health Care Roundtable
SAA Annual meeting
Washington, DC
August 15, 2014

Minutes of the **STHC Roundtable** meeting

Welcome and introduction of meeting attendees (see list below)

Welcome and introduction of speakers (Melanie Mueller, Dawne Lucas, Co-Chairs)

SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS (4-5:00)

Eric Boyle
National Museum of Health and Medicine
"Illustrating the History of Medicine"

Ashley L. Taylor
University of Pittsburgh
"Cutting Edge: Combining Access and Best Practice in a Large Medical Collection"

Heather Yager
California Academy of Sciences
"Digital Preservation, Mobile Access, and Interdisciplinary Collaboration"

Paula Jabloner
Computer History Museum
"Acquiring the Founding Documents of Silicon Valley"

BUSINESS MEETING (5:00-5:30)

1) Approval of 2013 minutes and old business
   a. 2013 minutes were approved informally and posted to website.
   b. 2013 minutes unanimously approved during Steering Committee meeting.

REPORTS

1) Council Representative announcements (Tanya Zanish-Belcher)
   a. Zanish-Belcher not in attendance.

2) Annual Meeting Task Force (Jodi Koste)
   a. Task force has done its work and has been disbanded.
   b. Next year's meeting will be in Cleveland ("mid-major" city)
   c. Free Internet access was provided at this meeting for the first time.

d. Other modifications to annual meetings will occur over time.

3) HIPAA regulatory update (Phoebe Evans Letocha)
    a. SAA Council has approved the issue brief drafted by Phoebe Evans Letocha and Lisa Mix (http://www2.archivists.org/sites/all/files/0814-1-III-A-IssueBrief-HIPAA.pdf).
    b. SAA will work with the Council of State Archivists to advocate for the standardization of state medical laws.
    c. SAA sections and roundtables should work with researchers to look at and revise best practices for accessing protected health information.

4) Archival Elements (Liz Phillips)
    a. Phillips not in attendance. Report emailed to the Steering Committee: After a minor dry spell last year, this year's Archival Elements is once again robust and diverse! This year's issue includes four articles: Kate Tasker of UC San Francisco tells us about processing psychiatry pioneer Eric Berne's papers; Shaula Stephenson of the Hammer Museum at UC Los Angeles and the Skirball Cultural Center wrote a case study on digital initiatives in cultural heritage centers; Michelle Wirth of the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center describes bringing together the institution's hidden archives; and Matthew Law of the National Archives at Riverside tells us about the records of the Atomic Energy Commission. There is also one shorter contribution: Maurita Baldock submitted a piece on the University of Arizona's processing of the Gerard Kuiper Papers. It's a great group of articles and I encourage you to settle in with the newsletter and find out what your colleagues have been up to.
    So, read, enjoy, and please feel free to contact me (Liz) with any ideas you have for next year's issue – all submissions are considered and early submissions are particularly welcome.

5) STHC website (Polina Ilieva)
    a. STHC Roundtable had contested elections for the first time. Candidate biographies and statements were added to the website.
    b. Some information has been rearranged on the website

6) STHC listserv (Mueller)
    a. There are about 100 more subscribers to the listserv this year than at this time last year. Mueller not sure where the jump came from.
    b. Despite this jump in subscribers, the listserv still has very low traffic. Members are encouraged to use the listserv for making announcements, etc.

7) Steering Committee and STHC leadership (Mueller)

a. The Steering Committee has two member-at-large openings, each for three years. Interested members should contact Melanie, Dawne, or Nora.

8) Election results, incoming junior Co-chair (Mueller)
   a. Nora Murphy (MIT) and Eleanor Brown (North Carolina State University) ran for junior co-chair. Murphy was the winner.
   b. The number of people participating in online voting is up from last year, but the number of people who vote still make up a small percentage of the Roundtable membership.

9) Election process and nominations (Mueller)
   a. Nominations for incoming co-chair will occur in the spring.

10) Old business, approval of 2013 meeting minutes
   a. 2013 minutes were approved informally and posted to website.
   b. 2013 minutes unanimously approved during steering committee meeting.
   c. Minutes from 2014 meeting will be posted on the STHC website within the next month.

11) New business from the Floor
   a. Scott Grimwood made an announcement about the new SAA Committee on Public Awareness (COPA). This committee will help to define "what is an archivist?"; will help members of the profession advocate for themselves; will create strategies and public awareness for SAA.
   b. Lisa Mix congratulated Steve Novak for becoming a new SAA Fellow.

12) Session and program ideas for the 2015 annual meeting
   a. Focus on WWI.
   b. Centennial of 1918 flu pandemic.

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