

Society of American Archivists
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC AWARENESS
Zoom Call 09/16/2021, 3:00 - 4:00 pm CT

Agenda

I. Roll Call

Ericka Dudley, Bryan Whitledge, Anna Trammell, Claudia Willett, Angie Piccolo, Kristi Chanda, Rachel Seale, Rachel E. Winston, Teresa Brinati

II. [August meeting minutes](#)

Anna and Claudia motioned to approve the minutes.

III. [Annual report](#), submitted on time, yay Vince!

IV. [2021/2022 Work plan in progress](#) (Rachel S. & Kate)

A. Rachel & Katherine are drafting

B. Welcome feedback from everyone, can leave comments, add suggestions in document, or email Rachel S. or Kate

Teresa- confirmed that it is a guideline to keep track across the year. Not mandated by the council.

V. American Archives Month - October

A. October 6: [A Finding Aid to My Soul](#) virtual storytelling event (Kate, Rachel S., & Teresa)

Kate and Rachel are contributing. There are 5 storytellers. It will take place at noon central time. Promotional blog post?

B. October 13: #AskAnArchivist Day ([notes](#) from latest meeting (see end of document for upcoming to do list)

a. [Ask An Archivist Day Sign Up](#) -sign up to participate if you can!

Includes Pacific, Hawaiian, and Alaskan time zones.

b. Email Abigail (achristian@archivists.org) to let her know your institution's/org.'s handle and or your individual twitter handle if participating in Ask An Archivist Day

i. <https://twitter.com/i/lists/1381676273911627779>

Only 17 people/organizations are participating so far.

c. Share ArchivesAWARE blog post/s promoting the event (coming soon!)

Rachael Woody and Kate Barbera working on Ask An Archivist Day promotional blog posts. Brian is helping with the National Coalition for History to participate in Ask An Archivist Day, will send info First week of October and coordinate with Genealogical Societies.

C. T-shirt/Tote Bag promo (Teresa)

Linked surplus t-shirts to American Archives Month, Promote and proceeds will go to SAA Foundation. Rachel S.-Tweet out, first response gets a tshirt? Take orders and ship from the office. Anna- Ask people to take pictures of tote bags and tshirts at their work? Blog Post, share on personal accounts? Teresa- Need for confirmation. Anna volunteered to help. Volunteer with Kristi to work on a blog post. Rachel Seale-Also do other months, Erika-asked about costume fashion. Anna Trammel-Archives gear to events, will follow up.

VI. *ArchivesAWARE!* Blog updates (Kristi)

A. [Calendar](#)

2-3 blog posts pending. More to come with American Archives Month.

VII. [NHPRC Report](#) - COPA/COPP recommendations

A. From COPA: Kate, Lynn, Rachel S. & Rachael W.
Rachel S.-Advocacy for smaller institutions.

B. From COPP: Bryan W., Brad Houston, Lori Schwarz

C. Due date?

Rachel Winston- Will touch base

VIII. Standing Updates

A. Council Report (Rachel Winston)

No updates at this point, council will meet in November, next week open forum DEIA work plan-participation encouraged. Reach out to Rachel if there are any questions. There is a link to RSVP.

B. COPP (Bryan Whitledge)

National Coalition for History is pushing American Archives Month, SAA statement regarding Minnesota patrol officers, working with Minnesota State Archivists on a statement to not cause repercussions.

Bryan-Asked about Hashtag party, Anna-organizations participate in Hashtag. Rachel Seale-First Friday of the month.

C. Joint Working Groups

1. CoSA/NAGARA/SAA/ALA/RAAC (Rachel)

a) [August 26 notes](#) (shared with me)

August 26th notes big change-SAA administrating meetings, Any questions ask Bryan or comment in the notes document.

b) [September 14 notes](#) (made by me)

2. COPP/COPA/RAAC/I&A (Kate)

Kate volunteered to COPP/COPA/RAAC. -Group for members, issues and advocacy, Kate will attend meetings and update.

IX. Any Other Business

Bryan- Push for National Funding Archives Plan, specific funding for archives, 18 months, 5 years 250th bday of US. Ideas for how to make an impact? Anna-Shared National Exhibit highlighting items representing all 50 states. Opportunity for shared grant application? Secure funding for a coordinator? COPA and COPP on outreach? Rachel Seale-Bring to next joint working group meeting.

- A. [COPA documents](#) on Google drive (Rachel)
- B. Anything else?

Next Call: Oct 13, 2021 from 3-4 pm CT (Also Ask An Archivist Day!!!!)

Notetaker: Kristi Chandi is up but if she's not available, next in alphabetical order are Lynn Cowles, Ericka Dudley, or Rebecca Goldman