

RAAC Steering Committee conference call minutes -- Monday, Nov. 17, 2014

Participants:

- Rachel Chatalbash
- Amanda Focke
- Daniel Alonzo
- Casey Westerman
- Kristen Chinery
- Jennifer Brannock

Unable to attend: Lynette Stoudt, Tim Hawkins, and Tessa Beers

Minutes:

- Amanda updated group on Coalition to Advance Learning in Archives, Libraries and Museums -- request for RAAC's assistance as the 3rd archival group in the Coalition along with SAA and CoSA -- agreed to apply for participation in Nov. 2014, with Amanda (in RAAC co-chair role) serving as RAAC rep to the Coalition for this first year, until October 2015.
- Casey reporting on request RAAC got about whether there is a consortia of archives, library and museum groups -- could we add this as a page on the website? Casey to make list and have it be a Word document, Rachel to ask Nancy Beaumont at SAA to determine if the list should be posted on the RAAC microsite or added to the SAA Directory.
- Casey reporting 49 regional groups now in directory online, with 2 being new (COAL and Portland Emerging Archivists).
- Rachel reporting on Collection Match Tool progress since last call -- Rachel suggested to their group that they start with a pilot where one regional volunteers -- letter to go out, possibly this week, asking for a regional to volunteer.
- Kristen following up on contact with SAA's sections and roundtables (list of grants so far from Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, national) -- working on how to expand that list. Rachel to contact the 4 people who haven't volunteered to see if they can help / join this committee.
- Daniel reporting on Public Awareness -- posting on RAAC Facebook page regularly. Archives month was busy, now they are working towards 1 post per week. Starting to look at what newsletters outlets there are, but work is progressing slowly. Marcella working along with Daniel. Rachel suggests steering committee adding newsletter names / contact info as an initial baseline and then the committee can fill in as time goes on. Rachel is willing to work with Daniel to create a newsletter article for regionals' newsletters.
- Jennifer Brannock (Education) -- committee members got a sample email written by Jennifer to go out to regionals asking for documents such as by-laws etc. for the document repository, to go up around end of the year.
- How to better encourage subcommittee member participation was discussed. The workloads of Steering Committee members was also discussed.
- For January 2015 -- send a message out for the regionals to share with their members, reporting on progress so far and pointing to new content (created by committees) on the microsite.