

**ANSS Executive Committee Minutes
Anthropology and Sociology Section
Association of College & Research Libraries
American Library Association
Midwinter Meeting, Dallas, 2012**

Saturday, January 21, 8:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m., Sheraton Dallas, State Room 3

Monday, January 23, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m., Sheraton Dallas, Majestic 06

1. **Introduction of members and guests [Sat]:** Terry Epperson (Current), Jennifer Darragh (Vice-Chair), Erin Gratz (Secretary), Jennifer Nason Davis (Past Chair), Annie Paprocki (Member-at-Large/Membership), Helen Clements (Member-at-Large/Membership), Christina Smith (Anthropology Co-Convener), Sally Wilson Wiemer (Criminal Justice/Criminology Co-Convener/Liaison), Pauline Manaka (Sociology Co-Convener), Jason Phillips (Instruction & Information Literacy), Jennifer Bowers (Publications), Sue McFadden (Resource Review & Bibliography), Lars Klint (Subject & Bibliography)
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3. **Approval of agenda [Sat]:** Membership Committee should be Helen Clements instead of Jenny Bowers. Wade Kotter should be removed from Subject and Bibliographic Access Committee.
4. **Approval of minutes of Annual 2011 meeting in New Orleans, LA:** Approved.
5. **Announcements and reminders [Sat & Mon]:**
 - Saturday:**
 - TE: Jill Lehmers will be at the Third Iron booth (1359) on Sunday and Monday to say Hello.
 - EG: Sign in sheets are on the back table, as well as buttons and magnets.
 - PM: Sociology Discussion Group is at 10:30.
 - SWW: Criminal Justice Discussion Group is today at 4pm in this room.
 - PM: The 2012 program planning committee will be meeting tomorrow in Majestic 09. TE: Membership and Program Planning are joining together for planning on the 40th to align our social and non-program program.
 - Monday:**
 - We need to have minutes from every committee/discussion group. These are due by February 17th and should be emailed to Megan Griffin our ALA Liaison, the ANSS Chair, and the Webmaster. They will be posted on the website unless otherwise stated. This will help for those who are interested in participating in the committees. Also, a reminder to send the narratives for Currents to Jenny Bowers and Leslie Brown.
5. **ACRL/ALA Reports**
 - 5.1 **ACRL Leadership Council (Jennifer Nason Davis/Terry Epperson/Jen Darragh)**

[Sat]: Division level committees were a hot topic during the Leadership Council. There will be an open comment period today at 5pm regarding the changes to the ACRL committees. There has been a decision to hold off on discussing the Ethics and Intellectual Freedom committees for a year. The recent leadership survey only received 141 results; the number of committees is being reduced from 57 to 40. In time, a similar process will occur regarding Communities of Practice. Lis Chabot, who is chairing the Communities of Practice committee, will give us more information

on Monday. This has been a long process and has not widely advertised outside the ACRL administration. This is part of the Plan for Excellence and aligning towards assessment.

In regards to finances, there are currently 3 ACRL positions open and services to members are being dropped (e.g. the list of members in the section which comes from another organization). Due to finances and ACRL staff not attending Midwinter, there will not be a report by any ACRL staff this Midwinter.

The 2013 ACRL conference is in Indianapolis.

5.2 ACRL Communities of Practice (Jennifer Nason Davis/Terry Epperson/Jen Darragh)

[Sat]: TE: There was an online meeting of the Communities of Practice which was not well advertised to anyone. There were only 13 people in attendance and no agenda or other documents. A discussion about virtual/hybrid participation occurred. To clarify: virtual meetings are completely virtual and happen before the conference; hybrid meetings take place during the conference and some are physically present while others join via internet. iLink (ALA's software) cannot be used during midwinter and annual. There is an overall feeling that ALA is not aware of the viability of midwinter, some sections such as EBSS holds all meetings virtually. LPSS is holding their meeting as a hybrid through Blackboard. At this time, any hybrid or virtual meetings ANSS wants to do, we will need to support and host ourselves.

5.3 ACRL Board (Lis Chabot) [Mon]: There was an opportunity during Midwinter by the Leadership Council for reflection on the restricting of committees – it is important to note this is in regards to division level committees, not section committees or interest groups.

A survey link was sent to the leaders of the COPA on the division level committees. The Board has an action they are proposing regarding creating a taskforce on how to engage members on the issues of professional values (intellectual freedom, ethics, etc.) which may be voted on today. It is most likely this taskforce will be created from members of these committees. At this time, these committees are no longer on the chopping block, possibilities of how these committees can be strategically brought together need to be explored. The taskforce will need to create a preliminary report for Annual 2012 and a final report for Midwinter 2013. The ACRL Board learned quite a bit from this process.

The Board drafted questions for the ALA President candidates, as neither of the candidates have had much experience with academic libraries. Questions are regarding diversity, scholarly communications, value of academic libraries, etc. The Board wants to make sure ACRL is on their radar.

ACRL will be in Indianapolis – the call is out for program proposals. This could be a good opportunity for the section, especially the possibilities for a virtual program. Lis spoke of her experience presenting in an ACRL virtual program. She encouraged ANSS to take advantage of the “independence” we have in our own conference.

The reorganization of the Communities of Practice is forthcoming. This committee, which Lis is chairing, will be looking at the metrics and things generated by the sections and interest groups. She reiterated that ANSS is her most vital section, and we really have nothing to worry about, except for gaining the funding and support to do what we want to do.

6. ANSS Committee and Discussion Group Reports [Sat & Mon]

6.1 Information Literacy Comm. (Jason Phillips) [Mon]: The meeting was abbreviated as there was only one other member in attendance; part of the meeting explained the purpose of the committee to a guest. There was discussion on the two upcoming articles for Currents on Numeracy Literacy and Digital Literacy. One major issue the committee is facing this year is of turnover, as 5 out of the 6 members will be rotating off, including the Chair. An ongoing issue is the location of the Repository. The committee is considering moving it to the website. Currently, the Repository has been held at the Chair's institution but this is not a viable long-term plan.

Suggestions were made to explore PRIMO and Mendeley as possible locations. The committee is not actively seeking contributions for the repository at this time.

6.2 Resource Review & Bibliography Comm. (Sue McFadden) [Sat]: The committee will discuss a topic for the next Currents. There are 3 bibliography updates that will be discussed. Sue noted that there are only a few members here for the committee meeting.

6.3 Conf. Prog. Planning 2012, Anaheim (Jade Albuero) [Mon]: A super committee of Program Planning, Membership, Publications, and local ANSS members has been formed. In order to make the event for the 40th special, the committee decided to harness its energy in one event that can be done really well. A possible location is the Muzeo, which is a couple of miles away and will have a couple interesting exhibits during the time we are there. There are 2 buildings; the primary possibility is the old Carnegie Anaheim library for 4 hours. The cost will be approximately \$3500 just for the space. Jade is negotiating possibilities (deduction of price, shorter hours, etc.) with the manager. We would most likely need to charge admission for our members/attendees. There was concern raised regarding charging the membership for attending.

The committee is planning for Sunday evening, so there would not be a social on Friday. In lieu of a program, the three discussion groups would be scheduled back to back on Sunday. The Program Planning committee encourages the conveners to focus on the 40th anniversary theme. The day would finish with the reception at the Muzeo.

The committee is hoping to use \$1000 from the operating budget to secure the location. Jade has contacted ProQuest for further funding. There was a suggestion to look into funding from the ACRL Friends group.

6.4 Conf. Prog. Planning 2013, Chicago (Anne Larrivee) [Mon]: Saturday: Jen Darragh commented the committee had a virtual meeting prior to the conference due to only member present at Midwinter was one of the co-chairs. Jen is still looking for members for this committee.

Monday: Anne noted the rest of the members of the committee were unable to attend and the committee will be meeting virtually on Thursday. They are using Google docs/Google Hangouts to brainstorm ideas, etc.

6.5 Membership Comm. (Helen Clements/Annie Paprocki) [Sat]: Annie reported Membership is holding steady at 460 as of November of this year. One less organizational member this year, which puts it at 36. The social had a great turnout this year. There was about 22 people, which is about the same as the joint social at Annual. Helen did an excellent job planning the Social, which was held at a great place, with great ambiance, weather and service...there weren't even any check mix-ups!

Jennifer Nason Davis pointed out that our exact budget is planned on the membership numbers, so Program Planning can anticipate the same budget as prior years. There was a question of the listserv numbers and if Joann Jacoby is still the listserv moderator. It was noted that the ANSS Facebook is at 117 likes.

Monday: Helen reported a successful social, and thanked Jenny for her help in planning. The committee discussed the membership survey results and plans to do another survey in two years. The section has 15 new members, and lost 1 organizational member. There hasn't been anyone interested in the Ambassador program, and the committee is considering ways to get more people interested. One of the upcoming projects is to create guidelines on venue selections for socials.

6.6 Nominating Comm. 2012 (Liz Cooper) [Sat]: Jennifer Nason Davis reported that the

committee put together a fantastic slate of candidates. Vice Chair: Pauline Manaka and Wayne Sanders. Member-At-Large: Miriam Rigby and Anne Davis. The election will be in April and handled by ACRL.

6.7 Publications Comm. (Jenny Bowers/Erin Gratz) [Mon]: The hybrid meeting was held via Skype with Kim Pendell. Beth Sheenan (sociology) and Adam Beauchamp (anthropology) volunteered to edit the subject guides on ANSSWeb. Incorporating the results from the Membership Survey, two new columns will be added to Currents; a technology corner and an instruction column. Longstanding members will continue to be profiled in the spring Currents. Leslie and Jenny will be transitioning out of the Editor positions after Fall 2013 issue. We will be sending out a call on ANSS-L for individuals interested in the Editor positions, the hope is that Jenny and Leslie can work with them for the next two issues. Publications will also be sending out a call for an official photographer for the annual events, as well as a possible ongoing Currents/ANSSWeb position in the future. The committee continues to work on a new logo. Dawn Mueller will be creating some mock-ups, when the committee has come to some suggestions we will present them to Executive and have the Membership vote on them. One idea that surfaced at the Program Planning meeting was to create a place on the website to highlight old ANSS memorabilia, if you have any please send it to Erin or Jenny.

6.8 Review & Planning Comm. (Jennifer Nason Davis) [Mon]: The committee discussed the process and infrastructure for the soliciting and selecting possible Liaison applicants, as well as the criteria for selection. This will need to be sent to the ACRL Liaison Board before we ask for people to nominate themselves. The ANSS Liaison Committee will do the call for applicants, and Executive will send on the selection to ACRL. ACRL needs to be notified before they will consider funding a liaison. The Liaison appointments will be for 2 years, and appointments will be staggered to help support participants experiences. The consensus of the committee was ANSS could only support a maximum of 3 liaisons at any time.

6.8.1 Membership survey and emerging leaders program. It is time for the Rapid Assessment Tool for Collections that was headed by David Woolwine to be reviewed. David will be contacted to see if he wants to create the new ad hoc committee, if not a call will be sent out to ANSS-L.

6.8.2 Necessity to post minutes to ANSSWeb. The Webmaster will post meeting minutes as a default; if you don't want to have your minutes posted to the website it must be indicated.

6.9 Subject & Bibliographic Access Comm. (Lars Klint) [Mon] : The committee met Saturday morning with most of the members in attendance. A list of Q&As were developed for the next 6 months. Some of the highlighted topics are RDA and FRBR. LSCH subject lists and have changed from a weekly to a monthly timeframe, and for awhile completely disappeared. The committee is working to catch up. The New SH and the Q&A have been migrated from the wiki to ANSSWeb. The members would all like access to the Wordpress site to post items, and they will contact Erin when they are ready to progress on this. They have been receiving very positive responses on the Q&A and SH, and are trying to find a way reach out to the ANSS membership a bit more. One of the upcoming projects is to catalog ANSSWeb. The committee has decided to have a virtual meeting during Annual 2012.

6.10 Anthropology Librarians Disc. Group (Chris Smith) [Mon]: The Anthropology Librarians Discussion Group met Sunday afternoon with fifteen attending.

Andrea Eastman-Mullins, VP of editorial and product development at Alexander Street Press, gave a brief introduction to their newly-released Anthropology Online. Cross-searchable with Ethnographic Video Online, Anthropology Online will eventually include 100,000 pages of published ethnographies and unpublished field notes. She distributed literature and trial cards.

The topic of today's discussion was applied anthropology, which is anthropological research that is done to solve practical problems. Our panelists, Dr. Beverly Davenport and Dr. Jonathan Tomhave, teach at the University of North Texas, where everyone on the faculty in the Anthropology Department is an applied anthropologist. At UNT there are five areas of applied anthropology: business anthropology; migration and border studies; medical anthropology; anthropology of education; and environmental anthropology. The discussion was interesting and lively, and the role of librarians and libraries came up frequently.

Suggestions for topics/speakers for Annual Conference in Anaheim are welcome. A fuller report will appear in *ANSS Currents*.

6.11 Criminal Justice/Criminology Librarians Disc. Group (Sally Willson Weimer) [Mon]: 11 people were in attendance. Ellen Safely, from UT-Dallas, spoke on building collections and liaisons in Criminal Justice collections. Unfortunately, there was a problem with the AV, but she had great handouts and has given us permission to post the slides to ANSSWeb. Ellen mentioned that she is a former Member-at-Large. Thank you to all who came. Also, a note that Venta Silins has retired.

6.12 Sociology Librarians Disc. Group (Pauline Manaka/Miriam Rigby) [Mon]: 15 people attended the Sociology Discussion Group. Three of those want to be on committees! Miriam was unable to attend Midwinter, and they are both ending their terms as Co-Conveners at Annual 2012. Pauline encouraged people to start considering being a convener. Bobby Selvee from UVA took minutes. The discussion focused on advocating that our disciplinary responsibilities are core to a university. Some of those things are things we know, but other are things we need to reevaluate. E-books were also discussed, and some recommended readings were presented. The report will have a bibliography attached. The discussion groups are an important place to invite activity within the section. Jason added that one of the reasons his meeting was abbreviated was due to a conflict with this discussion group so they could attend this.

6.13 Liaison Committee (Sally Willson Weimer/ Marilia Yesenia Antunez) [Mon]: Sally reported it was a great meeting. Katie was able to attend via phone while at the reference desk. Sally is on the ACRL funding /grants committee which gives some insight into the ACRL Liaison Committee. The section will send out an announcement of recruitment for ASA and AAA, then the committee will select the liaison. Debbie Malone has given Sally information on how ACRL has done recruitment in the past. There was discussion regarding the responsibilities of Review & Planning and Liaison. Review & Planning would like Liaison Committee to put out the call for nominations and research other appropriate professional organizations for liaisons.

7. ANSS Business [Sat & Mon]

7.1 ANSS Budget (Terry Epperson) [Sat]: There is no new information on the budget than what was presented at Annual.

8. Other Business

8.1 Cyber participation (virtual and hybrid) [Sat and Mon]:

Saturday (Terry Epperson): Room reservations for Annual need to be done by February 7th. Terry shared the schedule for suggestions on how to reduce some conflicts. If there are committees that want to meet virtually, that may help minimize conflicts, this might also improve attendance to discussion groups. Discussed that there are many possibilities for hybrid/virtual but this could reduced the number of walk-ins. Jen Darragh suggested the possibility of moving to only one Executive Meeting which would help with conflicts. There was discussion that virtual/hybrid meetings may be able to enhance participation for those not able to attend ALA. Helen Clements suggested a virtual meeting to introduce the various committees and promote membership. There was quite a bit of discussion on this idea, it would also be a way to gauge interest in virtual or hybrid participation. There was unanimous support for a virtual panel prior to Annual in Anaheim.

Monday: Terry announced Review & Planning determined there should be a taskforce on cyber participation to investigate possibilities and best practices. Terry Epperson, Jen Darragh and Erin Gratz will be on the taskforce. Pauline asked the discussion groups be considered. Terry thanked Erin, Jenny and Sally for holding hybrid meetings and being open to exploring other types of meetings.

8.2 ALA Emerging Leaders [Sat or Mon]: No report.

8.3 International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) [Mon]:

Jennifer Nason Davis reported that ANSS is able to nominate someone to IFLA for the Social Sciences seat. ANSS and EBSS share a seat; both of us put forth a name to ACRL, and they decide. There is no funding available from ACRL or ANSS making the member reliant on their own funding. The position is for 5 years. In order to apply an application form and CV need to be submitted to Terry Epperson. Executive Committee will then decide from the nominations who to put up as the ANSS candidate. This person will sit on the social sciences committee. May 7th is the deadline, and needs to be to IFLA by June 4th.

8.4 Visit from Lynne Schmelz to report on Harvard and Tozzer Library [Mon]. Lynne gave ANSS Executive an update on the changes in Tozzer library. The social sciences departments will all be moved to Tozzer. The library will be reduced from 3 to 2 floors and will only have about 40% of the collection on site. Interviews with students and faculty have indicated that the library is very important. Much of the collection will be off site, and only one copy of each item will be held. This is not apart of the Harvard Libraries transitions.

8.5 Debbie Malone and Trevor Dawes: Candidates for ACRL Presidents [Mon]: Debbie Malone and Trevor Dawes introduced themselves. During the question time, Terry expressed his concerns regarding the rejection of ANSS's program for 2012 Annual, as well as the need for and lack of support for virtual and hybrid meetings during Annual and Midwinter especially during an economically difficult time to attend the conferences. Sally spoke to our specialized subject area and the concern for subject sections and the support of these sections; asked their experience in these areas and their support of subject sections.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Gratz, ANSS Secretary
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