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RBMS 2014 Annual Conference Program Planning Committee, ALA Midwinter Meeting
Sunday, January 26, 2014, 1:00 – 2:30 PM
Pennsylvania Convention Center 308

Attending:

Members: Lois FischerBlack, Co-chair (Lehigh University), Jessica Pigza, Co-chair (New York Public Library), Rachel D'Agostino (Library Company of Philadelphia), Shannon Supple (UCLA Clark Library)

Guest: Fernando Pena (Long Island University)

The meeting was called to order at 1:20.

After some discussion, the committee confirmed the program's title and subtitle: Sin and Vice in Special Collections: Working with Provocative Primary Sources.

The speakers and their topics will be: Historian David Schwartz on pre-20th century gambling and gaming, novelist Kelli Stanley on how special collections provide rich historical detail to her mysteries set in 1930s San Francisco, and manuscripts curator Thomas Lannon on the illicit content and changing nature of vice in the Timothy Leary papers.

It was decided that the moderator would be a committee member, and it was agreed that introductory remarks would be kept as brief as possible to maximize time for questions at the end of the program.

The committee discussed promotion opportunities via listserves, postcards, and promotion via other ALA sections and Las Vegas institutions. Lois will work with one of her students on a graphic design for the promotional flyer that might be distributed as an e-flyer or might, depending on funding, be printed as well.

Meeting adjourned, 2:30pm. Recorded by Jessica Pigza