# Minutes for Resource Review & Bibliography Committee ALA-ACRL Annual Meeting, Anaheim 2012

Members present:

Sue McFadden (Chair), Maureen Morris, Helen Clements

Guest: Lori Brassaw, Utah State University

### **Reviews for Currents**

Committee members discussed choices of material to review for the upcoming issues of *Currents*. It was decided to work on an anthropology resource first, and probably take up a criminal justice/criminology tool for the spring. We are considering using a comparative approach that focuses on two or more resources, since this may be more helpful for selection.

McFadden and Clements plan to do a review of the EBSCO database, Bibliography of Native North America, and possibly add EBSCO's Native American Archives.

The committee discussed several possible criminology resources, including possibly comparing ProQuest (*ProQuest Criminal Justice*) and EBSCO (*Criminal Justice Abstracts*) offerings. Among other resources mentioned was the *National Criminal Justice Reference Service*, a Federal Government <a href="https://www.ncjrs.gov/">https://www.ncjrs.gov/</a>. [A crime resource at SUNY was also mentioned, as was the wealth of K-12 information on government websites].

Other possibilities suggested by Beth Sheehan included some of the streaming video databases (such as those published by Alexander Street); however, *Ethnographic Video Online* has been reviewed by a committee member within the last few years. Beth is interested in writing an article for the Spring Currents.

### **Review Process**

The committee discussed using a document-sharing medium such as **Google+** to allow easier collaboration in the review process.

## **ANSS Toolkits**

ANSS Discussion Groups have worked on their Toolkits for anthropology and sociology resources. These toolkits are designed for librarians new to the disciplines (also useful to those not-so-new). They include selections of important journal databases, essential reference books, sources for statistics, and other tools.

# **Resource Review Bibliographies**

Members also discussed working on the three existing bibliographies (for general social science, anthropology, and sociology). We may use Google+ for this effort. Clements will put out a call on ANSS-L for ANSS members to contribute. A couple of ANSS members have made efforts or have noted their intention to work on the revision

Submitted by Helen Clements