

ACRL ANSS Conference Program Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

ALA Annual Conference, Chicago Illinois

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Present:

I. Welcome and Introductions

Meeting convened at 8:30 am.

II. Note taker

Rosalind Alexander volunteered to be note taker for the meeting.

III. Approval of notes from ALA midwinter meeting

The ANSS webpage has a summary of what we are doing and formulation of ideas. The ALA Midwinter notes are in the Spring newsletter issue and have been distributed but not approved.

IV. Proposal of co-sponsor with ACRL Education and Behavioral Sciences/EBSS Dana Peterman and Scott Collard, co-chairs

EBSS chairs proposed the topic, "academic libraries as partners in communities (via schools and departments of social work, journalism, activism, and sociology)". A topic in social work would ideal because education and psychology were the focus of past years' programs. Also, this year's program could take advantage of the cross pollination of social science subjects. It was noted that utilizing local experts would keep costs down.

V. Develop proposal for conference program

Discussion of possible topics included relations between local rural and urban populations, relations between Mormon and non-Mormon populations, and college systems in Native American reservations.

Libraries promoting lifelong learning through teaching financial literacy was another topic of interest. A program could focus on liaison/instruction efforts in teaching students financial literacy. Trevor Dawes(?) and Bonnie (?) from ACRL are planning a program about teaching students the burdens of student loans, so the question came up on whether ANSS & EBSS should incorporate financial literacy

into the program. It was mentioned that RUSA-BRASS had done programs before about K-12 student learning. Pauline will share the e-mail with the proposed financial literacy idea.

There was also a discussion about another topic idea, data literacy and research institutes. More specifically, how are research institutes facilitating student data literacy? How are libraries and institutes working together? Some possible collaborators for the program are UNLV's Gaming Research Center located within the library and UNLV's Lincy Institute.

Stephen Fitt, Michelle Light, and Samantha Godbey were identified as UNLV librarians that could be collaborators and local contacts. Dana will talk to Michelle Light, UNLV's Director of Archives, for any leads on authors who have used the archives for recently released books and articles. In addition to connecting with Michelle Light to find possible speakers, Pauline will talk to Bill Mower(?) to find a professor who concentrates on any of the proposed topics, and Wade and an EBSS member will conduct a literature search of research institutes' latest related activities.

There was a discussion exploring possible ACRL divisions and groups to co-sponsor programs. Among the groups mentioned were Law & Political Science, RUSA-BRASS even though there was uncertainty in whether they would qualify, and Humanities. Helen had made a connection with the Humanities group to explore the possibility of co-sponsoring a program on Romanique or Native American cultural issues.

Other topic areas mentioned for programming were corporate, non-profit, and private college libraries.

A discussion on aligning programs with the ACRL strategic plan affirmed that programs should facilitate student learning and value of academic libraries. The proposed topics could align with ACRL strategic plan.

In the discussion on possible tour venues, casino museums were mentioned as a viable option. As for scheduling, the group decided it would not be best to schedule a tour on Monday afternoon since conference goers tend to start leaving the afternoon before the last day of the conference.

VI. Committee Communications

Members will send Scott their preferred e-mail for Google Documents where ANSS and EBSS joint documents' drafts will be kept.

VII. Next Meeting

The next meeting was originally set for January 2014. Members agreed to meet in August online before the program proposal is due. Dana will send out poll to members to help decide on a day.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.