

Resource Review & Bibliography Virtual Committee Meeting (ACRL ANSS)
January 23, 2013
Minutes

Present: Sue McFadden (chair), Beth Sheehan, Nancy Skipper, Spencer Acadia, Sara Williams, Deborah Margolis (minutes)

1. Minutes from from Annual (Anaheim 2012) were approved.
2. Discussion of ANSS Currents reviews.
 - a. Spring 2013
 - i. Comparative review of Alexander Street Press Anthropology Collections (text and two video modules) and EVIA Digital Archive—by Beth Sheehan and Helen Clements
 - ii. Review of Sage Research Methods Online—by Hailey Mooney and Deborah Margolis
 - b. Fall 2013
 - i. Comparative review of HAPI, HLAS, and other Latin American Studies databases—by Bruce Bachand and Sara Williams
 - ii. Science Direct--by Spencer Acadia
 - c. Spring 2013
 - i. Springer Link--by Spencer Acadia
 - d. Other ideas for reviews
 - i. Open Access Resources, e.g. EVIA. It was noted that many institutions cannot afford the subscription-based products.
 - ii. Oxford Bibliographies Online—by Nancy Skipper and Deborah Margolis
 - e. Review chronology/alphabetical list—Sue will send to the committee via email
 - f. New resources that should be reviewed and added to the list—Beth will send an open call for suggestions via the ANSS listserve.
 - g. Should we do two reviews as a compare/contrast of resources to cover more resources over time? Yes, comparative reviews were deemed helpful to members.

- h. Findability of committee reviews via Google/Google Scholar was discussed. Beth Sheehan noted that the Publications Committee is looking to add a table of contents to ANSS Currents. It was noticed that the reviews are listed on the ANSS website as “Reviews of Indexing, Abstracting, and Database Services”.
- 3. Bibliographies (“Resources for Librarians and Information Specialists”)-need to add new resources
 - a. Sociology guide—Nancy Skipper will update
 - b. Anthropology guide—last updated 2008—need volunteer
 - c. Social Science/General Interest guide—need volunteer
 - d. Sue McFadden will check with Erin Gratz on how to make updates to this section of the ANSS website.
- 4. Member Introductions and News
 - a. Beth Sheehan is at University of Illinois Urbana Champaign. She is in her 2nd term on this committee and is also on the ANSS publications committee.
 - b. Sara Williams is Assistant Director for Public Services at James Madison. With many years of experience as an Anthropology librarian, she can now only devote a small amount of time to Anthropology work, and is currently working on in-depth subject guides for anthropology faculty.
 - c. Sue McFadden, Tenured Associate Librarian for Emerging Technologies at Indiana University, has no Anthropology responsibilities at present, but remains involved as chair of this committee as an avocation. Look for Sue at ALA Annual and at ACRL!
 - d. Spencer Acadia is a reference librarian at University of Texas, Tyler. Spencer’s background is in health psychology, medical sociology and medical anthropology. Spencer recently presented at IFLA in Helsinki on gender and library collections; this publication will soon be available online open access.
 - e. Nancy Skipper is Sociology liaison at Cornell, in addition to being reference services coordinator at Olin Library. Collection development staff at Cornell are working on guidelines for liaisons, with an emphasis on open access.
 - f. Deborah Margolis is reference/collections librarian for Anthropology, Middle East, Jewish Studies, and Muslim Studies at Michigan State. She mentioned that Anthropology may be challenging for new liaisons due to its divergent subfields. Her library was recently awarded the Muslim Journeys Bookshelf grant from NEH/ALA, as was Indiana University.