

ANSS Executive Committee Meeting  
ALA Annual Meeting  
Las Vegas, Nevada 2014

Anthropology, Sociology & Criminal Justice Section (ANSS) Saturday, June 28, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. LNCC-N202 Monday, June 30, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. LNCC-N217

**1. Introduction of members and guests:**

*Saturday:* Miriam Rigby, Beth Sheehan, Richard Freeman, Adam Beauchamp, Sally Wilson Weimer, Pauline Manaka, Rui Wang, Erin Gratz, Anne Larrivee, Wade Kotter, Jill Conte, Jen Darragh, Hailey Mooney, Katie Anderson

*Monday:* Sally Willson Weimer, Erin Pappas, Miriam Rigby, Jill Conte, Erin Gratz, Pauline Manaka, Juliann Couture, Richard Freeman, Wade Kotter, Jen Darragh, Hailey Mooney, Susan Barnes Whyte

Pauline commented that ANSS has had dynamic year, all committees have had high end discussions of what our section does. A section report is due July 25<sup>th</sup> to determine how our section has contributed to the ACRL Plan for Excellence. Pauline will send email with 1-2 questions for committees to ponder and respond to. Do you think that ANSS throughout past year has supported the ACRL framework (plan of excellence)?

**2. Approval of the proposed agenda [Sat –Manaka] :**The agenda was approved

**3. Approval of minutes of Midwinter 2014 meeting in Philadelphia, PA [Sat/Anderson] :** Correction to the speaker from the Sociology Discussion groups name and removal of extra 0 in website statistics. Hailey moved to approve the minutes with these corrections. Erin seconded. Minutes approved.

**4. Announcements and reminders :**

*Saturday:*

- Program Planning Committee: Sally announced the program and passed out flyers. “Supporting Community Transformation: Becoming a Community-Engaged Academic Library”, Saturday 1-2:30 pm. She thanked everyone for their work and support. Noted that the committee had a positive experience partnering with EBSS.
- Anthropology discussion group: Miriam announced the Anthropology discussion group will meet 4:30-5:30 on Sunday. Speaker from The Lost City Museum, NV
- Membership: The social was successful and fun, over 20 people attended and there were many new members.
- Criminal Justice & Criminology Discussion Group co-chair, Fielder was announced.
- Sociology discussion group: Rui Wang invited people to attend the Sociology Discussion Group meeting, on the subject of Student Engagement. They will be discussing research on assessment of one shot instruction.

- Instruction and Information Literacy Committee (Adam Beuchamp): The guidelines are approved and done. The talk this afternoon will be an open discussion about the new framework and its impact on instruction. Changes are not being made to the ANSS standards in anticipation of the new standards from ACRL.
- Review and Planning: Jen discussed the revision of the manual. She has received requests for revising charges. She asked for these changes to be sent to her before Review and Planning in order to incorporate for voting during Exec 2.
- Janet Steins digitized copies of *Currents* since 1982 to date.

*Monday:*

- If there are new Co-Chairs for your committee, please let Erin Gratz know so she can make the appointment.
- ASA will be in San Francisco in August. Teaching and Learning section will be on Monday, August 18th. Sally Willson Weimer will be attending if people want to get together.

## **5. ACRL/ALA Reports [Sat & Mon]**

**5.1 ACRL Leadership Council [Sat - Manaka/Gratz]** : Pauline, Erin and Miriam attended the ACRL leadership council. Pauline reported that ACRL is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. ACRL is looking to raise funds for the anniversary and in general. Leadership council involved discussions of strategies for raising these funds. Erin explained that ACRL is attempting to raise money for scholarships for librarians and students. There is a trend that librarians of 8-10 years are leaving ACRL and there was a discussion on how to get them too return. Discussions on how sections can fundraise for ACRL and for themselves. Pauline discussed the 4 possible ideas that were presented (get these from Pauline. There was a question as to who is allowed to attend leadership council.

**5.2 Communities of Practice [Sat – Manaka/Gratz]** – This item was covered in the Leadership Council discussion.

**5.3 ACRL Board [Monday/Whyte]:** Two big things are going on: the fundraising drive for scholarships and the upcoming ACRL conference in Portland in 2015. Sections can raise money to contribute to scholarships. Susan Barnes Whyte asked for any feedback regarding the scholarship funding. There was discussion about the naming of giving levels and starting with \$75 donations; ACRL should be receptive to smaller donations.

The framework for information literacy is a large conversation across the organization. The taskforce will be looking towards discipline specific groups for feedback in the future. Hailey mentioned that the in the numeric and

geospatial data interest group would like to have a voice in the conversation, they have been left out of relevant conversations in the past.

Pauline noted the group LILI in California is looking at information literacy from pre-K through university. A conference will be held in August on the topic.

**5.4 ACRL News & Information (Sat-Manaka/Gratz) : ACRL 2015 is in Portland. How will ANSS be participating?**

**6. ANSS/EBSS Las Vegas 2014 Conference Program Committee Updates [Sat – reminders & Mon - reports]**

**6.1 Sally Willson Weimer : See Committee Report above.**

**6.2 “Share observations about the collaboration initiative” (All conference planning committee -Monday :**

Sally reported that the program on Saturday was excellent. The speakers were Claytee White from UNLV and her community partner, Jarmilla Arnold, as well as Patrick Griffis and his community partner Lora Hendrickson. Sally thanked the committee and EBSS. There were 97 attendees. She is appreciative of the work ACRL has done to support the program.

Sally gave a few observations on collaborating with another section. Challenges included: there were many committee members; 3 co-chairs; conflictual times of section committee meetings and program; being multiple groups the meetings were held virtually instead of in person.

Opportunities included: the ability to solicit a wider variety of speakers; shared funding; virtual meetings were beneficial to plan; Megan Griffin was an incredible resource; and preparation of the feedback form and publicity. More members lent itself to wider expertise.

Wade added that the bibliography will be sent to Erin Gratz and it will be on the website, as well as the speakers’ Powerpoint and a link to the African American Experience. Unfortunately, the committee meeting schedule was due to ACRL before the program day and time was announced.

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

**7.1 Information Literacy Committee [Monday/Beauchamp & Wang] :** Erin Gratz reported on Adam and Rui’s behalf. There is a call for a new co-chair to replace Adam. Adam will remain on the committee and shepherd creation of a repository of guides, learning objects, etc on ANSSWeb. Submissions are welcome. There was an excellent discussion of proposed ACRL Framework for

Information Literacy. Adam will be writing up the discussion notes and circulating to ANSS-L and submit to *Currents*.

**7.2 Liaison Committee [Monday/Antunez & Anderson]** : Juliann Couture reported.

ASA Liaison- Mandy had to resign. We will post a call for applicants in mid October with a 4-6 week deadline. Liaison will be determined before Midwinter so that this person can attend the midwinter meeting. Liaison Committee suggests that ANSS commit \$150.00 per Liaison for funding, especially with ACRL recent call for funding from the sections. The committee would like to continue to investigate and move forward on adding a liaison to ACJS (Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences).

They are in the process of finalizing checklists and documents for procedures and expectations for both the liaisons and the committee chairs and members.

Proposing that the liaisons be provided with a platform for communicating with the membership- blogs on ANSS web, twitter and Facebook. Juliann is finding a lot of value in her position as a liaison, but it seems that there is some confusion from ACRL on how to strategically publicize that value is in question.

Susan Barnes Whyte was interested to hear about Juliann's experience as a liaison. There was discussion regarding ACRL's goal to grow the Liaison program without the funding and support to do so, as well as how liaisons with a disciplinary focus differ from other liaisons as we work with scholarly associations. Juliann and 3 other liaisons have submitted a proposal for the ACRL conference to have a panel to discuss liaisons and their work.

**7.3 2015 Conference Program Planning, San Francisco [Saturday/Wang & Conti]** The committee has had 3 virtual meeting since ALA midwinter. A list of possible topics has been compiled and the group is considering partnering with LES or LPSS. The committee will be meeting with other groups to start to finalize a topic and put together a proposal.

**7.4 Membership Committee [Saturday/Larrivee & Rigby]:** Membership held a virtual meeting in order to avoid conflict with the program. The meeting was held via Google Hangout and was well attended. Wade Kotter was welcomed as the new member at large. The results of the ANSS survey were shared, these results will continue to be analyzed as it is useful to analyze overall membership; what other sections are members involved in? How involved are they? There will be a push for 300 likes on the Facebook page (currently 214) and a goal of posting more often. Membership is down to 400, same as in July 2012. ACRL numbers are down in general. Pauline suggested an article on the membership survey be submitted to ACRL. May-Michelle is representing ANSS at ACRL 101. The membership map will be posted to the website.

**7.5 Publications Committee [Saturday/Sheehan & Mooney] :** Beth passed out the web statistics. 6,873 visits since January 2014, Average of 39 visits a day which is a strong increase. ANSS Currents Spring 2014 received 248 visits. There are 216 Facebook likes (+26 since January 2014) and 140 Twitter followers (+14 since January 2014). Beth and Erin are working on a guide to editing ANSS to keep procedures consistent.

Hailey, Currents editor. The newsletter was very strong with special articles (Richard and Adam). The Resource and Bibliography committee will be contributing resource reviews- reporting on Monday- good reviews coming up. Hailey reminded everyone about the committee reports for the Fall Currents which will be due in mid-September. It was suggested to do these when the minutes are done. There was a suggestion for a report and pictures for Currents of the conference program. Hailey will follow up with Sally. Committee chairs were encouraged to talk about ideas for Currents among their membership. Candidate statements will be published in the chair, along with a History Corner and words from the incoming chair. All current articles have been digitized. There was suggestion to promote this effort by interviewing the member (need name) for an article in Currents.

**7.6 Resource Review & Bibliography [Monday/Clements & Evans] :** Hailey reported. They have a new charge that they wanted to share.

The Resource Review and Bibliography Committee is charged with reviewing and analyzing the current state of bibliographic and other research tools in anthropology, sociology, criminal justice, and related fields. Based on these analyses, it identifies specific areas needing improved access, recommends how to effect such improvements, identifies various research resources and their potential uses, and reinforces successful efforts to improve access to literature in sociology, anthropology, and related fields. It also disseminates information about research resources in these fields to the ANSS membership, seeking to provide content useful for reference, research, teaching, and collection development.

**Composition:** The Resource Review and Bibliography Committee consists of no fewer than five and no more than nine ANSS members, who serve two-year terms.

For the Fall *Currents*, the longer review will be on *Oxford Bibliographies Online* by Nancy Skipper and Deborah Margolis. The shorter review will be on native resources. There is a peer-review amongst the committee so the quality is really improving.

Wade moved to accept charge, second by Miriam. Accepted.

**7.7 Review & Planning Committee [Monday/Darragh] :**

Program Planning Committee charge has also been changed as well.

The Conference Program Planning Committee is charged with choosing a timely topic of interest to ANSS members in particular, and to a broad spectrum of ALA members in general, to recruit expert speakers on this topic, and make a formal proposal to present this program at the ALA Annual Conference. The process is competitive, and co-sponsorship with other ANSS sections is strongly encouraged. A summary of all programs presented by ANSS is included on ANSSWeb under Historical Highlights. The Committee may also arrange a special tour of a library, information center, or cultural center of interest to ANSS members during the Annual Conference.

Sally moved to accept the charge, Wade second. Accepted

Other charges will need to be revised. Instruction and Information Literacy has shifted to revising standards from every 2 years to every 5. Liaison committee is likely to revise their charge as we agreed on the \$150 allocation for each liaison.

There was a discussion to change *Current* Editors and the Webmasters to ex-officio on the Publications Committees and the Executive committee. At this time, a member of Publications tend to take on these commitments after a couple of years on the committee, so they term out after 2-3 years in the position. In order to ensure the successful continuation of the section's publications these positions should be determined by the members' interest and desire to continue in the role versus ALA's committee term limits. Discussion whether this would require a by-law change.

Review and Planning is encouraging committees to hold Midwinter meetings virtually. We have the Cyber Task Force document in place regarding virtual meetings. We have continued to have increasing virtual meetings, and this just supports virtual participation. There was discussion on this. On the whole everyone agrees. The major question is what to do with Executive Committee, would this meet virtually or in person? Erin will send out an email to Executive Committee for a vote and to solicit any other concerns. The consensus is there would continue to be a social for anyone who would attend Midwinter meeting.

**7.8 Subject & Bibliographic Access Committee [Saturday/Kotter] :** The committee is meeting to come up with new topics for questions and answers. Wayne Saunders is working on a new subject heading list, feedback is useful. Mary Michelle Moore and Isabel are looking at special subject headings that are being used for first nations, indigenous peoples and native peoples. Wade encouraged new members to join, members do not have to be catalogers. Q&A's recently have been related to RDA. If anyone has questions or issues that you would like them to address contact Wade or send to ANSS listserv

**7.9 Nominations Committee [Saturday/Klint] :** Jen Darragh reported. The committee is meeting on Sunday and working on the full slat as the upcoming election will be for every available voted in position. Vice Chair/Chair,

Member at large and Secretary. Contact group if interested in nominating someone or self-nominating. Hailey nominated Deborah Margolis for the Member at Large

**7.10 Anthropology Librarians Discussion Group [Monday/Pappas & Rigby]**  
: Miriam Rigby and Erin Pappas reported that there were over 24 attendees at the discussion group. The speaker was Dr. Molly Fierer-Donaldson, the curator/archaeologist at the Lost City Museum. The talk went a bit long so there was very little discussion. There was an interesting question on where the speaker finds the resources and information she needs. The Cultural Resource Management reports all of the archaeology within a region.

**7.11 Criminal Justice/criminology Librarians Group [Monday/ Fielder & Evans]** : It was a smaller group of 8-10 attendees with a lot of interaction. The topic was getting buy in with criminal justice faculty and creating useful assignments.

**7.12 Sociology Librarians Discussion Group [Monday Wang & Lacy]** : No formal report. There were 15-20 attendees at the discussion group.

## **8. ANSS Business [Sat and Mon]**

### **8.1 ANSS Budget (Manaka) [Sat]**

Budget remains the same as membership stays the same. Budget based upon membership numbers. Budget is Just over 1000.00, usually with \$500 being allotted for the program. Liaisons committee will be requesting reimbursement, discussion regarding the minimum needed for liaisons, what kind of support ANSS can provide. The Liaison committee will discuss this in their meeting.

### **8.2 Membership Survey report (Sat/Larrivee and Rigby)**

**8.3 ACRL Plan of Excellence Report – a discussion (led by Manaka and Gratz) [Monday]** : Pauline will send out the Plan for Excellence form and explain what she needs chairs to do to help her complete the plan. She will be mapping the activity of each committee of the section to the plan for excellence.

### **8.4 Future of ANSS: A discussion led by Manaka [Sat & Monday] :**

In closing, Pauline encouraged everyone to support the discussion groups.

Respectfully submitted by Katie Anderson, ANSS Secretary  
Monday minutes taken by Erin Gratz.