

## ALA Midwinter 2014

### Minutes from ANSS Instruction & Information Literacy Committee - Virtual Meeting

Presence: Rebecca Freeman, Kimberly Pendell, Diana Symons, Anthony Stamatoplos, Adam Beauchamp, Rui Wang

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Review of minutes from ALA Annual 2013 (Chicago)

The minutes from ALA Annual 2013 were approved unanimously.

- III. Old Business
  - a. Review of Information Literacy Standards for Anthropology and Sociology Students

- i. Agreed at Annual to make minor edits, but reserve a full review until ACRL completes its work on the main information literacy standards

The committee agreed at Annual in Chicago that we would not attempt any major changes to the current ANSS Standards since ACRL is in the process of revamping the main information literacy standards. We thought it best to wait on those new standards and then revisit ours. We are making some minor edits to the current ANSS standards, mostly to clean up some language and to fix outdated examples. The committee members discussed the changes and made suggestions. Adam recorded these changes and will circulate the latest version to the accreditation liaison.

- b. Repository of learning objects
    - i. Interest high but participation low in full-blown repository of lesson plans, worksheets, etc.
    - ii. Try again or discuss alternatives?

To increase participation, the committee suggested that the repository should be less formal encouraging people to submit more libguides, activities, and new modules that connect to a particular information literacy standard. The committee also suggested making one central location for sharing teaching resources on the ANSS website. It can be done by either renaming or modifying the web page of "Guides to Subject Literature" or building a new one. Adam and Rui will report the committee's suggestions and asking for the changes in the executive committee meeting.

- IV. New Business
  - a. Volunteers for co-chair to replace Adam Beauchamp when his term ends after Annual 2014
    - i. Co-chairs serve staggered, two-year terms

There was no volunteer yet. The question whether a chair can serve the committee virtually was raised. Adam will check the cyber policy and share with committee members.

## V. Announcements

Rui suggested a new idea of organizing a program for assessment of BIs by collaborating with other ANSSS committees (e.g. ANSS Sociology Librarian Discussion Group) or other ACLR divisions at ALA annual 2014. The rationale is the increasing awareness and urgency of institutional assessment in academic libraries. Tony and Adam pointed further that the potential of this program can frame assessment into the disciplinary contexts and embedded course related instruction. It would also be appealing to audience outside of ANSS. Adam indicated that the only issue was whether it passed the deadline for its submission. The committee members seemed interested in working on this project. Adam and Rui will talk about the idea in the executive meeting.

[There was a program <http://ala13.ala.org/node/10064> “Lessons for the Librarian: 10 Tips for Teaching the One-Shot Instruction Session” in ALA annual 2013. [The Notes](#) that the program session in 2013 was based on also addressed assessment of BIs. The author Megan Oakleaf, professor of library and information science at Syracuse, is a lead researcher on academic library assessment. Overall, the potential program for assessment of BIs could be a sequel of that program in 2013. The deadline for ACRL program at the 2014 ALA is over. It looks like the committee can have more time to work on the program for the next submission.]

## VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:06 CST.