## **ACRL ANSS Liaison Committee Minutes**

2014 ALA Midwinter, Philadelphia January 25, 2014 3:00pm-4:00pm

Present: Katie Elson Anderson, Anne Larrivee, Juliann Couture, Jenny Bowers

- Welcome and Introductions
- Approval of Minutes from the last meeting
- Ex-officio status of liaison discussion, this status is important for the liaisons to have access to ALA Connect
- There is no longer a time conflict between the ACRL liaison meeting and the ANSS liaison meeting due to the ANSS meeting time change. ANSS liaison meetings with the ANSS liaisons present is something the committee would like to see continue
- The question came up about the stream of continued funding from ACRL. Will it continue? We would not want to offer another liaison position without this guarantee
- The work to include a criminology liaison will be temporarily put on pause until there is more word about funding
- There is also question of whether we should consider an archaeology liaison to work with SAA
- What is the overarching mission of the liaison position ACRL mission verses the ANSS mission?
- It was proposed that ANSS liaisons take advantage of the ANSS twitter feed during their AAA or ASA conferences. To update other members of some of the real-time conference happenings.
- Blog for larger ACRL program could be used for sharing information about these conferences. Figuring out who else is there so it's not just one person
- How do you form the program to benefit the majority of ANSS members? STS has liaisons for each different subject area
- It was confirmed that a 3 year term for liaison was better than the afore-proposed 2 year term. Committee will make sure terms are changed to a 3 year period especially since this is congruous with the ACRL site stating that liaison are to serve in a 3 year commitment.
- Each liaison has to apply for funding and they should apply for funds around August. The AAA conference is in November, so liaison must make plans to attend the conference before they receive confirmation of funding approval.
- We discussed the benefits of the ANSS liaisons such as the sharing of specific info from the AAA or ASA conferences. We also consider it essential that we have a librarian/ ANSS reprehensive at these conferences who can participate in committee meetings.
- We also discussed the possibility of plans for an ANSS liaison virtual meetings offered for ANSS members. People will be able to ask questions and find out more about the mission of the liaisons. To be planned for the spring semester
- If we were to make a future call for another liaison the call/application would need to be revised, especially to consider the 3 year term, and we would need to determine the partnering organization

- Once a liaison's term ends, the committee needs to consider the transition. How can we make the change-over more fluid? Should checklists be created? Are we setting term limits or are there ACRL term limits for how many term and how often a liaison can apply?
- Question of whether we should post ANSS liaison docs and reports on the web for those who don't read or see Currents? Meeting materials are currently being stored in Google Docs