

ANSS Subject and Bibliographic Access Committee
Minutes

ALA – Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, June 2011

Saturday, June 25, 2010, 10:30 AM, New Orleans Marriott, Lafayette Room

Attendance: Fred Hay, Lars Klint, Wade Kotter, Wayne Sanders, Isabel del Carmen Quintana, Carolyn McCallum [guest, incoming member] (Stephanie Rocio Miles was excused)

1. Introductions were made and a sign-in sheet was distributed.
2. The following topics were identified for upcoming cataloging Q&As
 - a. July 2011 – Isabel -- Bilingualism & Multilingualism
 - b. August 2011 – Lars – How are Authorized Forms of Author Names Established?
 - c. September 2011 – Stephanie – Unemployment/Job Hunting
 - d. October 2011 – Carolyn – Social Tagging in Online Catalogs
 - e. November 2011 – Isabel – RDA Implementation
 - f. December 2011 – To be determined
 - g. January 2012 – Fred -- Tri-racial isolates/Peoples of Mixed Descent
 - h. Although not scheduled, the issue of accessing ANSS-Web and its contents via library catalogs was discussed as a possible topic for a future Q&A. Isabel & Wayne will explore this issue and report back to the committee.
3. Lars reported that the monthly lists of new subject headings are up-to-date. LC will now be releasing new subject headings on a monthly basis.
4. The committee discussed how to deal with ongoing hacking problems with the Wiki. Wayne will check with Adam Burling on what can be done to make our Wiki more secure as an interim solution. In the meantime, Lars & Isabel will consult with Erin Gratz on what is involved in moving committee materials from the Wiki to ANSS-Web. The goal is to move all committee materials to ANSS-Web in a timely manner.
5. The committee discussed the results of the ANSS membership survey, which document the importance of the cataloging Q&As and new subject headings lists to ANSS members. However, the results also indicate the need for additional promotion of committee services and activities. Two member recommendations for future Q&A topics were also identified: tables of contents in catalog records, and general subject headings for disciplines/fields of study.
6. Isabel asked whether the committee thought something should be done in addition to the more formal cataloging Q&As to make ANSS members aware of important changes in cataloging, such as the transition to RDA. The committee agreed and Isabel volunteered to write a brief announcement on the RDA transition, with links to additional information, for posting on ANSS-L web in July. Committee members were encouraged to keep an eye out for similar important changes as possible topics for posts to ANSS-L.
7. Meeting adjourned at 12 Noon.