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## President's Corner

Joyce Tenney, NASIG President

Hope everyone is enjoying a lovely fall season. Time is steadily marching forward and 2014 is fast approaching! (Where has the year gone??)

The NASIG Executive Board met in early October in Fort Worth at our host hotel. I think everyone will love the location. Step outside the doors of the historic Hilton Fort Worth and you are right in the thick of downtown Fort Worth. There are lots of eclectic restaurants, shops and entertainment. Check out the Fort Worth Visitors Bureau website for all sorts of great information on restaurants, museums, and things to do. (http://www.fortworth.com/).

Just a reminder that our 29th Annual NASIG Conference- Taking Stock & Taming New Frontiers- is May 1-4, 2014. Registration information should be available in late January or early February. Keep an eye on the NASIG Conference website for updates and information. CPC has posted information on the hotel and travel, and additional local information will be posted in December and January.

The Conference Planning and the Program Planning committees are hard at work to give us a great conference. Our Vision Speakers have been announced and we have an excellent line up this year. The pre-conferences are almost set and I think there will be lots of excitement over those offerings. As always, our breakout sessions will be chocked full of good reports, tips and research. It's hard to believe that there is only six months until conference time. A big thank you to all

those on Conference Planning and Program Planning for the hard work!

Speaking of hard work, many other NASIG committees have their noses to the grindstone, too (thanks to all!). I wanted to highlight few of the many projects here:

The Core Competencies Task Force is working on an addendum to the already excellent Core Competencies for Electronic Resources Librarians document to note competencies for positions dealing with the management of print serials. This will be a great addition!

Electronic Communications has been hard at work on the website upgrade and all of the fallout issues. Way to go ECC!!

Financial Development has proposed a Lifetime membership option for NASIG members. This has been approved by the board and will be implemented as soon as possible. More information on this will be coming after the details are confirmed. Also, they are working with PPC and CPC to determine if streaming our Vision Sessions would be possible and what it would involve.

Continuing Education is working on planning a joint webinar with NISO, as well as general NASIG webinars. Also, the publications subcommittee of the CEC is working on a Wikipedia entry on NASIG. That document should be posted soon.

Awards and Recognition is getting ready for the new cycle for awards and updating some of the language for the awards to strengthen the documents.

*Conference Proceedings* editors are hard at work on the proceedings process for the 2013 conference.

This is just a sampling of the activities in NASIG. As you can see, we have a busy group of folks hard at work.

The Executive Board had a productive meeting in October. We discussed basic organizational issues and committee questions, as well as some of the following topics: how to offer more intensive and possibly on demand continuing education programs, what types of author agreements would be best for our conference proceedings, and what types of celebrations, reflections and events would be best to celebrate NASIG's 30th anniversary. These discussions and more are continuing. Additional information will be relayed as confirmed.

I wish everyone a safe and peaceful fall and winter season!

## Call for Volunteers

Please consider volunteering to serve on a NASIG committee. We are a volunteer-based organization, and we can only operate if people like you are willing to serve. If you are interested, please follow the link below, and fill out the form.

http://www.nasig.org/site_page.cfm?pk_association_webpage_menu=708&pk_association_webpage=1268

Thank you.

Steve Kelley
Vice President, NASIG

## Tour of the New NASIG Website

Last year, the Executive Board asked the Electronic Communications Committee (ECC) to look for ways to help the NASIG website better highlight NASIG news and events. It was also time to review the website, clear outdated material, and make it easier to feature new activities like NASIG's webinar series. ECC conducted an extensive review and made suggestions to the board.

When ECC approached ArcStone, our web hosting service, to talk about the changes we wanted, they were ready to roll out a new platform that would

accommodate our requests. The new system would allow us, without the intervention of programmers, to be much more flexible in how we present our information.

The new home page allots prime real estate to upcoming NASIG conferences. In addition to information about the 2014 conference, dates for 2015 and 2016 are available for those who want to make longer term plans. News items specific to NASIG are also separated out from general news and positioned front and center, literally.

The top menu categories on the new site are Membership, About, Conference, Publications, Continuing Education, and Contact. Content accessible under the first three items is generally the same as on the old site. Under Publications, the new site features not only the Conference Proceedings and the NASIG Newsletter, but also NASIGuides, the NASIG Blog, and the NASIG Jobs Blog. The biggest changes are in the category Continuing Education, which replaces the Resources link on the old site. Continuing Education features easy access to NASIG's webinar series, Core Competencies for Electronic Resources Librarians, an updated Reference Resources page, and our sister organization, UKSG.

**Log In and Member Center**

Although much of the site is open to anyone, a lot of content is available only to members. It's a good idea to log in to the site immediately on arrival for the best experience.

Logging in takes you directly to the **Member Center.** The Member Center includes links to the member directory, names and contact information for the Executive Board and all committees (including live email links), organizational documents, and groupspace (more on this later). You can edit your contact information, create a biography, see copies of broadcast emails, and view photo galleries. The Member Center also gives you access to information on your renewal status, payment history, and event history. For instance, when I logged in today, the Member Center displayed a message alerting me that my membership expires on December 12.

Another advantage of logging in on arrival is that if you're on the site and click on a link to a members-only page, you'll go directly to that page only if you are already logged in. Otherwise, you'll be taken to the Member Center, and you'll have to navigate back to the page you wanted.

If your organizational role in NASIG requires that you have access to the website's administrative module, remember that **your admin login is different from your public site login.** This is a big change from the old site, and it has caused some confusion. If you don't remember your admin login, contact ECC at web@nasig.org.

**Groupspace**

As noted above, the Member Center includes a link to **Groups**. Click on Groups and you'll go to a page with the name of every committee or task force in which you participate. Beside the name of the group, you'll find a **View Group** link.

Groupspace is analogous to the old site's private committee space, but with more functionality. It has calendars, communication options, and a group webpage. Note, however, that group webpages cannot have subpages. Groupspace also provides a secure home for private committee documents. Committee chairs and vice chairs have group admin status and can upload documents and delete them from their groupspace.

ECC has created groups for each committee and task force within NASIG. Committee groups include the committee's board liaison as a group member. On each group's webpage, ECC has created a link to instructions for adding documents and editing groupspace. There's also a link to the Committees page, where you will find links to committee public pages and to general committee documents, such as the NASIG Committee

Chairs Orientation Manual, and the Board Report Template.

So enjoy exploring the new website, and remember to log in on arrival. If you have questions or comments, contact ECC at web@nasig.org

## Discovering Music: Small-scale, Web-scale, Facets, and Beyond

*Rebecca Belford, University at Buffalo*
*Tracey Snyder, Cornell University*

Reported by Patrick L. Carr

Web-scale discovery tools are currently transforming the interfaces libraries provide for the discovery and access of their collections. Although these tools are significantly enhancing user experiences, they are also introducing new challenges. The concurrent session "Discovering Music: Small-scale, Web-scale, Facets, and Beyond" examined one such challenge: the unique difficulties of organizing and searching for music materials (e.g., scores, sheet music, and recordings) in a web-scale environment.

In the session's first presentation, Rebecca Belford (music cataloger/reference librarian) provided an overview of some of the specific complexities that make the discovery of music materials problematic in web-scale discovery interfaces. She noted that these complexities should be of interest to anyone engaged with the challenges of library collection discovery because music materials measure how well discovery tools function at the extremes; in other words, a discovery tool that works well for music materials will also work well for most other library materials. Next, Belford discussed how the Music Library Association's Music Discovery Requirements document (http://goo.gl/FQk2U) aims to address these complexities. As she explained, this document, which was released in April 2012, provides a range of best practices and recommendations detailing the characteristics of music materials and providing guidance regarding how the administrators of web-discovery tools can harness AACR2 and RDA standards within the MARC record format to maximize the discoverability of music materials. The document has a FRBR-like structure, and Belford's presentation devoted particular attention to discussing the ramifications of music formats and works within the discovery context, including the navigation between different manifestations of the same work. Finally, Belford highlighted some significant developments in music discovery occurring outside of the traditional library environment, including the application of FRBR principles at the Australian Music Centre.

The session's second presenter, Tracey Snyder (assistant music librarian), considered the discoverability of music materials within the specific discovery interfaces being developed and implemented at Cornell University. After reviewing Cornell's current discovery interfaces, Snyder described the university's efforts to implement the faceted open source discovery layer, Blacklight, as their main catalog interface; Cornell aims to have a beta release accessible to patrons during the 2013/2014 academic year. Snyder is a member of the Blacklight implementation team and is playing a particular role as an advocate for the effective discovery of music materials. She worked with patrons to conduct usability testing for music materials, and, in doing so, she was able to identify strengths and weaknesses related to the discovery of music materials via the Blacklight interface. Collaborating with other members of the implementation team, she was able to address certain problems identified in the usability testing, but resolutions to other problems are still in progress. Snyder concluded by noting some directions for the future development of music discoverability, including work by the Library of Congress, in cooperation with the Music Library Association, incorporating RDA elements in order to achieve more granularity in search results and creating thesauri for genre/form and medium of performance.

## PPC Update

Kelli Getz & Anna Creech, PPC chair & vice-chair

The Program Planning Committee (PPC) is excited about the program for the upcoming conference in Fort Worth. The Call for Proposals will close on November 15th, and the PPC will begin the evaluation process by the end of November. Presenters will be notified by mid-December.

The PPC will also be holding the second Great Ideas Showcase on Friday afternoon. In the Great Ideas Showcase, presenters will have a tabletop for a poster display, laptop presentation, or handouts to showcase their innovative projects, ideas, and research. The interactive aspect, as well as expansion beyond flat media, allows presenters to connect with attendees and better communicate their Great Ideas. The call for Great Ideas will go out at the beginning of February.

The call for Informal Discussion Groups will go out at the end of February. Informal Discussion Groups are casual lunch discussions where attendees can discuss serials/e-resources topics, convene user group meetings, or continue discussions that were sparked by a session speaker. These will be held during lunchtime on Saturday, and you can either bring lunch from another location or purchase a boxed lunch with your registration (boxed lunches will be available for purchase at a later date if you change your mind).

PPC is pleased to announce the following Vision Speakers for the 29th Annual NASIG Conference!

**Jenica Rogers**

Jenica Rogers is the director of libraries for the State University of New York at Potsdam. She is best known for her public decision not to renew her university's annual subscription to the American Chemical Society's (ACS) online journals package because of the ever-increasing subscription costs. Her current professional interests include interrogating the ways our information economy is breaking down and reforming now that the internet changed everything, figuring out what the role of a library is in a reality in which warehousing books is sort of passé, and informing, mentoring, and supporting new library professionals as they hit the real world face-first and at full speed.

**Katherine Skinner**

Dr. Katherine Skinner is the executive director of the Educopia Institute, a not-for-profit educational organization that hosts inter-institutional, collaborative programs for the production, dissemination, and preservation of digital scholarship. She is the founding program director for the MetaArchive Cooperative, a community-owned and community-governed digital preservation network founded in 2004 that now has more than fifty member institutions in four countries. She also serves as the host of the Library Publishing Coalition project, in which forty-seven university libraries currently are designing and implementing a collaborative that addresses and supports an evolving, distributed, and diverse range of library publishing and production practices.

**Herbert Van de Sompel**

Herbert Van de Sompel is the team leader of the Prototyping Team at the Research Library of the Los Alamos National Laboratory. The Team does research regarding various aspects of scholarly communication in the digital age, including information infrastructure, interoperability, digital preservation, and indicators for the assessment of the quality of units of scholarly communication. Herbert has played a major role in creating the Open Archives Initiative Protocol for Metadata Harvesting (OAI-PMH), the Open Archives Initiative Object Reuse & Exchange specifications (OAI-ORE), the OpenURL Framework for Context-Sensitive Services, the SFX linking server, the bX scholarly recommender service, and info URI. Currently, he works with his team on the Open Annotation, Memento (time travel for the Web), and ResourceSync projects.

Preconference topics will include RDA, e-resources licensing and negotiation, open access, and more. Stay tuned for more information!

## CPC Update

Michael Hanson and Janice Lindquist, CPC co-chairs

The 2014 NASIG Annual Conference, **Taking Stock and Taming New Frontiers,** will be held in Fort Worth Texas, May 1 through May 4, 2014. See the NASIG website for information (www.nasig.org). Fort Worth is the sixteenth largest city in the United States with a population of 736,200. The March to May temperatures range from the mid-forties to the mid-eighties. The conference hotel is the historic Fort Worth Hilton near downtown (see conference website for details).

There are so many things to see and do you might want to extend your trip (http://www.fortworth.com/things-to-do ). Among the museums, you can visit the Sid Richardson Museum with its collection of western art by Charles Russell and Frederic Remington; The National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame; the Log Cabin Village, a living history museum; as well as the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame. You might also want to visit the Botanic Gardens, or the Bureau of Engraving and Printing where over half of the nation's currency is printed. If you feel like taking a stroll, Sundance Square is an area of about fourteen blocks of art galleries, bars and restaurants. The sports minded might want to watch the Fort Worth Cats play baseball (should they have a game during our visit). LaGrange field is described as a quaint stadium that seats 4,500.

The Stockyards (http://www.fortworth.com/things-to-do/western-experience ), a national historic district, hosts a rodeo every Friday and Saturday night. Twice daily at 11:30 am and 4:00 pm, you can witness a cattle drive. At the Visitors Information Center you can pick up a GPS-guided walking tour of the area. You can explore the Cowtown Cattlepen Maze of 5,400 square feet of wooden pathways. The area also hosts many restaurants and shopping venues. Some recommended restaurants include: Joe T. Garcia's (fajitas); Reata (chicken fried steak); Kincaid's (burgers); Railhead BBQ; Del Frisco's Double Eagle Steakhouse; Fred's Texas Café (burgers, chicken fried steak, and cold beer); and the Spiral Diner & Bakery (organic vegan). For the party animals among us there is Billy Bob's country music club (nearly 3 acres under one roof); Booger Red's, where you can order a local brew, Rahr's Buffalo Butt Beer; the Cantina Cadillac, which advertises the best drink specials in Fort Worth; the Library Bar with nearly 100 varieties of martinis; or, if you feel like singing along, there is Pete's Dueling Piano Bar. For more information check out the visitors site at: http://www.fortworth.com/

Please contact the Conference Planning Committee at confplan@nasig.org if you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns. We look forward to seeing y'all in Texas!

## Profile of Paula Sullenger, Head of Electronic Resources and Serials Services, Auburn University

Wm. Joseph Thomas

Paula Sullenger serves this year as NASIG's archivist, having been the archivist in training with Peter Whiting last year. Her membership on the Continuing Education Committee was from 2011-2013, and before that she was a member of the Nominations and Elections Committee (2009-2011). Paula has also been a member of NASIG's Regional Council (1999-2003) and served as State Membership Coordinator from 1996- 1998.

Outside NASIG, Paula is an active member of the Alabama Library Association and was appointed Visiting Program Officer during the 2011-2012 academic year for the Cooperative Journal Retention Project of the

Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (now a joint program with ASERL and WCLC called Scholars Trust).

Librarianship is Paula's first career. She started working in her high school library, was hooked immediately, and never seriously considered any other line of work. Paula worked in her local public library after high school where she discovered cataloging and technical services (!). While attending the University of Alabama at Birmingham as an undergraduate, Paula worked in the Sterne Library and decided that she wanted to stay with academic libraries. Upon receiving her Bachelor's degree in History, she made the move to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to work on her MSLS.

One of the courses Paula took at UNC focused on serials management. Her instructor, Marcia Tuttle, talked about NASIG in that class, leading Paula to join the organization early on in her career. Another key factor in her professional education was working an internship at UNC's Davis Library with Frieda Rosenberg. This internship made her fall in love with serials cataloging, and after her graduation in 1992, Paula was fortunate enough to land a serials cataloging position at Auburn. She has been an Auburn Tiger ever since, moving to Serials Acquisitions in 1997 and becoming the department head for Acquisitions in 2007. Her current title is Department Head, Electronic Resources & Serials Services.

When asked what part of her job she enjoys most and why, Paula replies, "I really like the interactions I have with people. In my role I supervise a department, but I also interact with almost every other department so I see a lot of people most days. I take a shift or two each semester on our reference desk and get to see students and get to work closely with our public service librarians."

What she likes least, she says, is "being the bearer of bad tidings," of things like "ugly price increases, unreasonable use restrictions, budget shortfalls…but it's just a part of the job that has to be done." The negative parts aside, overall Paula enjoys her work and has continued to grow as a leader not only in the library but also in service to her university.

In addition to being a member of the Library Leadership Group at Auburn, Paula's service to Auburn Libraries has included working groups in serials, electronic resources, and WebCat, and chairing the 50th Anniversary Committee for the Ralph Brown Draughon Library. Active also in the University Senate, Paula has been a member of various Senate committees since 1995. Her Senate service ranges from Student Discipline to the Faculty Handbook Committee, and from the Rules Committee to a term as the University Senate Secretary. She has also served on the Faculty Welfare Committee and two terms on the Insurance and Benefits Committee.

Even with all of these service activities, Paula has remained an active researcher and writer. She has presented at several NASIG Conferences, at the Charleston Conference, and at Voyager User Group

Meetings on topics related to serials cataloging, workflow, evaluation techniques, and the effects of tenure and publishing requirements on professional librarian turnover rates. Paula has published refereed articles on these same topics as well as writing about the acquisition of Latin American serials and contributing multiple conference reports for the NASIG *Conference Proceedings*.

Outside work, Paula volunteers with the Lee County Literacy Coalition, and currently serves on the Coalition Board. In addition to her literacy work, ask her about cycling! The Auburn Flyers Cycling Team lists her as their faculty advisor. She loves cycling, particularly bicycle touring, and last year took a three-week ride in Alaska. She says she is dying to go again. She also likes hiking, and recently joined an orienteering club to learn how to navigate off-trail, so that she can get into backcountry hiking without getting lost. Paula also describes herself as a dog person who volunteers most Saturdays at a local dog rescue organization. She has been working with a couple of feral puppies lately, trying to get them to like people so they will be adoptable.

In thinking about NASIG's professional support, Paula says that she has enjoyed each of the conferences she has attended, returning to Auburn "with new ideas and fresh perspectives." Her confidence in fellow serialists has been bolstered by the annual conferences: she says, "I've always felt that if I'm struggling with a serials issue, I'll find the answer at NASIG." When Paula went to Auburn in 1992 librarians were partially funded for one conference per year and NASIG was usually the one she picked. The Serials (now Electronic Resources) unit at Auburn has always been understaffed so she have not been as active in NASIG as she would have liked, but she says that she is really enjoying the Continuing Education Committee and its work developing webinars for practitioners.

When asked what changes she sees for serialists over the next five years, Paula says "I think we'll see the erosion of library-based subscriptions. The new JSTOR individual subscriptions are very cheap and should become popular. The ReadCube pay-per-view project with *Nature* is interesting, and I'm hoping Auburn will run a trial. I don't think our subscriptions will disappear in five years, but I do think we'll see significant effects soon."

To the question how NASIG can help serialists be prepared for these changes, Paula answers, "Just keep doing what NASIG does: provide a place for exchanging ideas and coping mechanisms and keep the conversations going. I think that as long as something called a library exists, there will be a role for serialists."

## Columns

### Checking In

Kurt Blythe, Column Editor

[Note: Please report promotions, awards, new degrees, new positions, and other significant professional milestones. You may submit items about yourself or other members to Kurt Blythe at kcblythe@email.unc.edu. Contributions on behalf of fellow members will be cleared with the person mentioned in the news item before they are printed. Please include your e-mail address or phone number.]

As Thanksgiving approaches, I'm reminded of how thankful I am to be a serialist and member of NASIG, and how thankful I am to be surrounded by the professionals I find in our organization. With that sentiment in mind, please welcome to our ranks:

**Stephanie R. Bernard**, the Resource Acquisition & Management Librarian at the Robert W. Woodruff Library, Atlanta University Center.

> I serve as the Head of the Acquisitions, Cataloging and Periodicals unit, which compliments my career trajectory - I've held the positions of Acquisitions Librarian and Cataloger during my career at

Woodruff. In my current role, I manage the library's Acquisitions Unit and lead my staff in ordering, receiving, invoicing, creating purchase orders, and resolving complex problems. I'm also a member of the Georgia Library Association and Toastmasters International and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. I earned my master's degree from Clark Atlanta University and my bachelor's degree from Dillard University. I joined NASIG to stay current on issues and trends in serials and electronic resources, learn about conferences, and learn about best practices in acquisitions and serials. I hope to share my knowledge with colleagues in this group and attend the conferences. So far, my NASIG experience has been great.

**Corey Halaychik**, Assistant Professor and Electronic Resources Specialist at the University of Tennessee's Hodges Library, might be new to NASIG but that doesn't mean he's new to the world of serials. He loves working with these resources because they are constantly evolving to offer users access to the latest research and updated information.

Before taking his position at UT in February 2013, Corey served as the Chair of the Department of Library Services at Three Rivers College in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. A native of Orlando, Florida, Corey earned his MLIS degree at Florida State University (Go 'Noles!) and holds an M.S. in Leadership from Grand Canyon University. He loves applying this diverse background in both user-oriented and administrative roles. You can reach Corey by e-mail at chalaych@utk.edu or by phone at 865- 974-9314. He loves making connections with colleagues and believes in collaborative problem solving.

**Alycia Sellie**, Electronic Resources and Serials Management Librarian, has specialized in alternative and unique library collections since working with James P. Danky at the Wisconsin Historical Society's Newspapers and Periodicals Department (http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/libraryarchives/collections/news.asp) while in library school.

There we attempted to collect every serial publication made within Wisconsin's borders, as well as political materials and periodicals and newspapers that were "unique to OCLC," or not yet in any other library's collections.

Since that time, I've created collections of zines at the University of Wisconsin-Madison's SLIS library (http://slislib.library.wisc.edu/collections/zine.html) and at Brooklyn College (http://brooklyncollegezines.commons.gc.cuny.edu/). I have also been involved with advocacy for Open Access (https://openaccess.commons.gc.cuny.edu/) and have campaigned against digital restrictions on e-book reading.

I worked in public services at Pratt Institute Library and Brooklyn College, but recently returned to my roots by joining the library faculty of the CUNY Graduate Center where I manage electronic materials and serials.

My scholarship is focused on alternative publications, sometimes examining the relationship these items have with libraries. I was recently interviewed on the radio program *Against the Grain* where I discuss these issues in some detail: http://www.againstthegrain.org/program/807/tues-110513-libraries-and-alternative-press

I'm interested to connect with other NASIG members and to share information about how our libraries handle acquisitions, workflows and general juggling of collections.

## Citations: Required Reading by NASIG Members

Kurt Blythe, Column Editor

[Note: Please report citations for publications by the membership—to include scholarship, reviews, criticism, essays, and any other published works which would benefit the membership to read. You may submit citations on behalf of yourself or other members to Kurt Blythe at kcblythe@email.unc.edu. Contributions on behalf of fellow members will be cleared with the author(s) before they are printed. Include contact information with submissions.]

We have a short list of submissions for this quarter's column, but congratulations to:

**Sharon A. Purtee**, who, along with **Edith Starbuck** (an Information Services Librarian at the University of Cincinnati Health Sciences Library), presented a paper

at the Charleston Conference: "Managing Journals by Committee."

## Title Changes

Kurt Blythe, Column Editor

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Members of NASIG continue to be recognized by their and other institutions with new and interesting positions and promotions:

**Clint Chamberlain** is now the development & client services director at Reading & Radio Resource, a non-profit that creates audio materials for children and adults with special reading and learning needs.

**Sharon A. Purtee** was promoted to senior librarian, effective in mid-August.

**Steven Kelley** has been promoted from head of Resource Maintenance and serials cataloging librarian to head of Continuing Resources and Database Management at Wake Forest.

And, **Adolfo Tarango** is now the assistant director, Metadata Services. The new job title comes with oversight of two additional UC San Diego Library cataloging units: Books and Maps Cataloging and Metadata and Chinese, Japanese, and Korean Cataloging and Metadata. "I will continue to have oversight of the two units, Shared Cataloging Program and CDL Acquisitions, which handled the cataloging and acquisitions of UC system-wide electronic resources. Of course I'll keep my hands in the serials world by having oversight of the entire library's serials cataloging activities and remaining the library's CONSER representative."

# Committee Reports/Updates

## Archives

Submitted by: Paula Sullenger and Peter Whiting

**Members**

Paula Sullenger, NASIG archivist (Auburn University), 2012/2015
Deberah England, photo historian (Wright State University), 2011/2014
Peter C. Whiting, archivist ex officio (University of Southern Indiana), 2013/2014
Shana McDanold, board liaison

**Continuing Activities**

Continue to collect information for the archives.

**Completed Activities**

No activities completed to report.

**Budget**

No budget items to report.

Submitted on: October 2013

## Awards & Recognition Committee

Submitted by: Leigh Ann DePope

**Members**

Leigh Ann DePope, chair (Salisbury University)
Dana Whitmire, vice-chair (UT Health Science Center at San Antonio)
Ann Ercelawn, member (Vanderbilt University)
Rene Erlandson, member (University of Nebraska Omaha)
Sandy Folsom, member (Central Michigan University)
Mary Grenci, member (University of Oregon)

Beth Guay, member (University of Maryland, College Park)
Megan Kilb, member (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)
Betty Landesman, member (University of Baltimore)
Taryn Renick, member (Texas A&M University Medical Sciences Library)
Jennifer Sippel, member (Minneapolis Community & Technical College Library)
Lisa Furubotten, member (TAMU)
Selden Lamoureux, board liaison (North Carolina State University)

**Continuing Activities**

The library school contact list for the 2013-14 awards cycle has been updated. We plan to announce the awards by the end of October.

**Completed Activities**

The committee met during the annual conference in Buffalo. Discussion focused on new strategies in outreach for the awards.

Taryn Resnick conducted the survey for the 2013 Award Winners. Megan Kilb conducted the John Merriman Award winner interview.

**Budget**

No budget expenditures to date.

**Questions for Board**

After much discussion, the committee feels that the way in which the outreach for the awards is conducted needs to be re-vamped. The committee would like to separate the student awards from the non-student awards and shift the emphasis from students to new professionals. We feel that fostering relationships with new professionals will strengthen NASIG membership and visibility. To that end:

1. Would it be possible to expand the number of Horizon awards given and/or develop new scholarships?
2. Reduce the number of student awards?
3. Are there guidelines for determining if a non-academic applicant is a "specialist" and not a "professional"?
4. Can an applicant with an MLS apply for both the Horizon award and the Specialist award?

Another issue for the committee is the Tuttle Award. The award has been in existence for 14 years and only 8 recipients have been named. Is the scope of the award too narrow or unclear? If so, can it be expanded or revised?

**Recommendations to Board**

The committee wishes the Board to take these issues under consideration. The committee also wishes the Board to consider changing the language is the awards from simply the word serials to include other common labels such as electronic resources, continuing resources, etc.

Submitted on: September 30, 2013

## Bylaws

Submitted by: Sharon Scott

**Members**

Sharon Scott, chair (University of California Riverside)
Leigh Ann DePope, member (Salisbury University)
Randal Lowe, member (Frostburg State University)
Elizabeth McDonald, member (University of Memphis)
Marsha Seamans, member (University of Kentucky)
Susan Wishnetsky, member (Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine)
Chris Brady, board liaison

**Continuing Activities**

None

**Completed Activities**

No activity to date

**Budget**

None requested

Submitted on: October 1, 2013

## Conference Planning Committee

Submitted by: Michael Hanson and Janice Lindquist

**Members**

Michael Hanson, co-chair (Lafayette College)
Janice Lindquist, co-chair (Rice University)
Marcella Lesher, member (St. Mary's University)
Allyson Zellner, member (EBSCO Information Services)
Sarah Perlmutter, member (EBSCO Information Services)
Trina Nolen, member (Lamar University)
Lisa Martincik, member (University of Iowa)
Micheline Westfall, member (University of Tennessee)
Lydia Pyburn, member (University of Texas at Arlington)
Katy Ginanni, registrar (Western Carolina University)
Anne Mckee, conference coordinator (Greater Western Library Alliance)
Joyce Tenney, board liaison (University of Maryland, Baltimore County)

**Continuing Activities**

- Entertainment venue selection (site visits have been arranged for Monday October 7, 2013)
- Menus
- Souvenirs
- Local arrangements

**Completed Activities**

- Theme selected
- Logo designed
- Committee responsibilities have been assigned

**Committee Assignments**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Ginanni, Katy | Registrar | |
| Hanson, Michael | Co-chair | entertainment |
| Lesher, Marcella | Member | souvenirs, signs + paperwork |
| Lindquist, Janice | Co-chair | meals, budget |
| Martincik, Lisa | Member | webmaster |
| Mckee, Anne | conference coordinator | |
| Nolen, Trina | Member | publicist, signs + paperwork |
| Perlmutter, Sarah | Member | vendor expo, conference sponsors |
| Pyburn, Lydia | Member | local attractions |
| Tenney, Joyce | board liaison | |
| Westfall, Micheline | Member | AV coordinator |
| Zellner, Ally | Member | logo creation, copyright, local attractions |

**Budget**

[Attached]

Submitted on: October 7, 2013

## *Conference Proceedings* Editors

Submitted by: Sara Bahnmaier

**Members**

Sara Bahnmaier, co-editor (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)
Kay Johnson, co-editor (Radford University)
Selden Lamoureux, board liaison (SDLinforms)

**Continuing Activities**

Editing

We received all but two papers. The missing papers are both preconferences. While we are certain to receive one, the one we do not expect to get is a preconference report. Kay Johnson agreed to step in and write a report based on her notes from attending the preconference.

Our editing process is making progress as expected. The editors are sharing folders in Google Drive. The committee met through conference calls and a video chat. Our goal is to upload the edited manuscripts to T&F by December 16, 2013. Then, in February, T&F will send us the proofs for final corrections. We will re-read every paper, answer publisher queries, contact the authors to get their final approval, track the corrections and finalize the *Proceedings* on a tight deadline of 1 to 2 weeks.

Copyright forms

Selden Lamoureux communicated to T&F on our behalf about some immediate concerns that were raised by a few authors about the copyright forms. We understand that the Board intends to have a discussion with T&F about copyright later in the year and we sought only a specific response to an author's questions. As a result, on August 12, T&F asked us to hold off on compiling the rest of the copyright forms till after the NASIG board and Stacy Sieck [T&F] (August 12) discuss this more at ALA Midwinter, to "align more closely with the author rights given by the new Library and Information Science copyright form that was just implemented this year, with the hope that it might preclude some (though most likely not all) issues," (email from Elizabeth Kerr, 8/12/2013). Normally, copyright forms and manuscripts are submitted together in December, but on T&F's authority, the copyright forms can wait till February/March (email from Stacy Sieck, 9/27/2013). Hopefully, the new forms will be ready on time to go out with the proofs.

Editorial guidelines

We are also updating the editorial guidelines to give them consistent organization with hyperlinks in lieu of ubiquitous "see below" references. The guidelines have a lower priority at this time and will be addressed during the approximately 6-8 weeks this winter while we are awaiting proofs from T&F.

**Completed Activities**

New memorandums of understanding (MOUs)

The editors consulted with the CPC vice chair to create MOUs for presenters. It's hoped that these signed documents will clarify NASIG's expectations and deadlines for submissions to the Proceedings.

**Budget**

Up to $1,000 per editor position for conference attendance = $2,000 (annually contributed by Taylor & Francis). (The 2013 conference is the first time that editors have had this support for the conference, and we are grateful to NASIG and T&F for it).

Up to $25 for conference calls. The committee has held three-way calls and video conference calls, for which the costs were borne by our universities. However, we wish to retain the budget request because some future editors may incur out-of-pocket costs and would like to seek reimbursement.

**Statistical Information**

35 papers received, editing in progress
2 papers still outstanding

Submitted on: September 30, 2013

## Continuing Education Committee

Submitted by: Todd Enoch

**Members**

Todd Enoch, chair (University of North Texas)
Melissa Johnson, vice-chair (Georgia Regents University)
Jennifer Bazeley, member (Miami University)
Evelyn Brass, member (University of Houston [Retired])
Melissa Cardenas-Dow, member (University of Redlands)
Jeannie Castro, member (University of Houston)
Eleanor Cook, member (East Carolina University)
Lori Duggan, member (Indiana University)
Sharon Dyas-Correia, member (Indiana University)
Steve Oberg, member (University of Illinois)
Jane Skoric, member (Santa Clara University)
Paula Sullenger, member (Auburn University)
Esta Tovstiadi, member (University of Colorado)
Theron Westervelt, member (Library of Congress)
Clint Chamberlin, board liaison (Reading and Radio Resource)

**Continuing Activities**

Regarding a calendar for upcoming webinars, we would like to propose scheduling them for the 2nd Thursday of February, April, September, and November. That puts us at one a quarter, but avoids trying to compete with summer activities. All upcoming webinars will be scheduled on Thursday afternoons to avoid conflict with NISO and ALCTS webinars, which are always scheduled on Wednesdays.

The next date for a webinar will be November 17th, 2013. All parties contacted so far have declined. The CEC is still awaiting the list of well-reviewed presentations from the PPC for potential presentation ideas.

**Completed Activities**

Jeanie Castro and Esta Tovstiadi volunteered to help with coordinating webinars beginning with November webinar.

As per the Board's suggestion, Lisa Kurt was contacted regarding presenting a webinar on visualization of data. She has replied that she is no longer involved in libraries, and declined the invitation.

The webinar "Scholar Commons @ USF: Sharing Knowledge Worldwide" was presented by Carol Ann Borchert and Julie Fielding based on their presentation at the 2013 conference. There were 24 registrants. There were some technical issues with the webinar; initially the incorrect URL was included in the registration email, an error which unfortunately was not discovered until less than 5 minutes before the webinar began. A corrected URL was then sent out to all registrants, but due to a quirk of the email version of Outlook, copying and pasting a URL from Outlook corrupted the pasted hyperlink so that it tried to direct users to the web version of Outlook rather than the URL that was visible. 18 of the registrants were able to work past this problem and attend the webinar. All registrants were provided with a recording. One registrant has requested a partial refund from the Group rate to the Individual rate because he was unable to log his group in to the webinar.

The CEC received two requests for sponsorship, both of which were forwarded to the Board with a recommendation to accept: the 2013 Great Lakes E-Resources Summit and the USF webinar "Protecting your Patrons from Predatory Publishers."

**Budget**

The CEC requested a budget of $1,500 to cover the cost of WebEx.

**Questions for Board**

With the new configuration of Publications and Public Relations, do NASIG Guides fall under the CEC's purview, or that of the ECC?

We agreed that while using NASIG conference feedback is a valuable tool, we need to keep flexibility to program webinars as other topics become suggested/relevant. We still need to determine precisely how that should work; should we only schedule 3 of our 4 webinars from the PPC report and have the 4th be more of a wildcard? Or should we schedule 4 based on PPC report and explore adding additional webinars as topics arise?

Submitted on: October 1, 2013

## Core Competencies Task Force Update

Submitted by: Sanjeet Mann

**Members**

Sanjeet Mann, chair (University of Redlands)
Eugenia Beh, member (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
Steve Black, member (College of Saint Rose)
Susan Davis, member (SUNY Buffalo)
Cynthia Porter, member (A.T. Still University of the Health Sciences)
Taryn Resnick, member (Texas A&M University)
Sarah Sutton, board liaison (Emporia State University)

**Continuing Activities**

After winning election to the NASIG Board as a Member-at-Large, Sarah Sutton transitioned into a new role as board liaison for the Core Competencies Task Force (CCTF), and Sanjeet Mann was chosen to chair the task force through its final year.

This summer the task force held a conference call to begin work on their second document recommended by the NASIG Board, a statement of core competencies for serials librarians. CCTF members agreed that the methodology used to derive the E-resource librarian competencies would also work for serials librarian competencies. However, they expressed concerns that there are very few job openings dedicated exclusively to print serials. A document aimed at print serials librarians may be less relevant to membership than a discussion of skills, experience and knowledge useful for any position that involves management of print serials. The task force decided to ask the Board for permission to prepare the second document as an addendum to the E-resource competencies, identifying the print serials competencies that are vital and relevant to today's libraries.

To support the task force's request to the board, Mann reviewed job postings to the NASIG blog over the last fourteen months, finding no serials-related positions exclusively dealing with print formats.

**Completed Activities**

The final version of the Core Competencies for Electronic Resources Librarians was approved unanimously by the NASIG Board in July and posted to the NASIG website. CCTF members authored an article discussing their methodology for a special issue of *NASIG Newsletter* announcing the competencies.

**Budget**

Most of the task force's work can be accomplished asynchronously through email. However, occasional telephone conference calls can expedite our efforts. CCTF already conducted one such call in August, and a budget allocation sufficient to permit one or two more conference calls would be appreciated.

**Action Required by Board**

Read the attached summary of Mann's investigation of jobs posted to the NASIG blog.

**Recommendation to Board**

CCTF requests that the Board grant it permission to produce a statement of competencies for positions dealing with the management of print serials as an addendum to the Core Competencies for Electronic Resources Librarians.

Submitted on: October 2013

## Database and *Directory* Committee

Submitted by: Alice Rhoades

**Members**

Alice Rhoades, chair (Rice University)
Jessica Ireland, vice chair (Radford University)
Mary Bailey, member (Kansas State University)
Julie Fielding, member (University of South Florida)
Christine Radcliffe, member (Texas A&M University)
Jennifer Arnold, board liaison

**Activities**

This spring and fall D&*D* has worked to prepare for the database migration. Committee members attended webinars given by an ArcStone representative in August 2013 to learn the new database structure and functions. Parts of the committee manual have been revised for the new database procedures and other revisions are ongoing. We are still exploring new database features and how they will impact committee functions. We have kept current with the business of invoicing members for their dues payments and updating member records.

**Membership**

Current active membership as of Jan.4, 2013 is 572 members.

Submitted on: Oct. 2, 2013

## Electronic Communications Committee

Submitted by: Carol Ann Borchert and Kathryn Wesley

**Members**

Carol Ann Borchert, co-chair, list manager (University of South Florida)
Kathryn Wesley, co-chair, web management (Clemson University)
Chris Bulock, vice co-chair, web management (Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville)
Smita Joshipura, vice co-chair, list manager (Arizona State University)
Chris Burris, member, September- (Wake Forest University)
Julia Proctor, member (University of Wyoming)
Paoshan Yue, member (University of Nevada, Reno)
Sandy Srivastava, member, June-August (College of New Rochelle)
Char Simser, publicist (Kansas State University)
Tim Hagan, board liaison (Northwestern University)

**Continuing Activities**

- The NASIG Publicist is working as a member of ECC on a trial basis.
- NASIG website migration began over the summer; most essential content has been moved, but a lot of secondary and tertiary level work remains ongoing. Many documents remain to be moved also. Document management on the new site is complex, so the latter task will take some time.
- New committee members Julia, Paoshan, Sandy (June-August), and Chris Burris (September-) are rotating on regular monthly tasks of jobs blog maintenance, NASIG blog and social media maintenance, and spam filter monitoring.

**Completed Activities**

- All committee listservs and forwarding email addresses were updated for 2013/14 in June.
- Non-member conference attendees were removed from NASIG-L by July 26.

- The new committee members have been trained on jobs blog, NASIG blog, and spam duty.
- All 2013 conference presentations that were submitted have been loaded to SlideShare.
- In July, committee and board rosters were updated on the old site by volunteer Wendy Robertson (former ECC c-chair), while current ECC members familiar with the old interface were involved in migration work.
- New website
  - As noted above, essential website content has been moved to the new platform; final data migration took place September 9 (included member database, broadcast email records, surveys, etc.); the public website went live September 10.
  - Other committees (Database & *Directory*, Nominations & Elections) and individuals (treasurer, treasurer-elect, conference and webinar registrars) who needed early access to the new site were made association administrators with appropriate permissions assigned; training sessions were arranged with ArcStone for D&D.
  - Credit card functionality was tested prior to going live.
  - The call for nominations 2013/14 survey was transferred to the new site; results from the survey on the old site were downloaded and sent to N&E.
  - Worked with Todd Enoch of Continuing Education to ensure the fall webinar site was working, and that registrants from the old site transferred.
  - Annual conference pages were set up for the Conference Planning Committee to provide content.
  - New URLs for the call for nominations and fall webinar registration were sent in a broadcast email.
  - Following the new site going live, ECC responded to a request to link the NASIGuide on license negotiation by Rick Anderson to the main NASIGuide page. In the process, we noticed some outdated links and facilitated communication between Rick and the Publications/Public Relations Committee to get those updated.
  - Groupspace for all committees and the Executive Board have been created, with committee chairs set as group admins (secretary is group admin the Executive Board). Groupspace is analogous to private committee space on the old site. It does not allow for multiple levels of webpages, but does have document storage, calendar, messaging, and other functionalities.
  - Broadcast email issues were resolved.
  - A significant amount of website-related documentation has been updated in the ECC manual (http://nasigeccmanual.pbworks.com/w/page/10221189/FrontPage); all pages with instructions on the new site have been tagged AMO2 (http://nasigeccmanual.pbworks.com/w/tags/show?tag=AMO2)
  - Asked ArcStone to add our Google Analytics ID to the new site (Sept. 26).

**Budget**

The following 2013/14 budget request was submitted on August 26.

| **Budget Category** | **2013/2014 Estimate** |
|---|---|
| Conference calls | $0.00 |
| Contracted services | $0.00 |
| Bee.Net ($500 per month – email and listservs) | $6000.00 |
| ArcStone (NASIG website and association management - $300 per month + contingency amount of $1450 for 10 hours of programming if needed) | $5050.00 |
| Survey Monkey (online surveys) | $204.00 |
| SlideShare Pro (conference presentations) | $114.00 |
| UKSG Newsletter | $750.00 |

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|---|---|
| Contingency | $0.00 |
| TOTAL | $12,118.00 |

**Statistical Information**

NASIG-L
As of September 23, there are 501 subscribed members to NASIG-L and 32 unsubscribed members.

SlideShare
53 presentations/posters were uploaded from the 2013 conference

Blog stats (April 2013-Sept.26, 2013)
NASIG Blog visits - 4520
Jobs Blog visits - 12720

Website
Website visits (Google Analytics)
April 2013-Sept 25, 2013*

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|---|---|
| April 2013 | 3202 |
| May 2013 | 3244 |
| June 2013 | **3244 |
| July 2013 | 4165 |
| August 2013 | 3063 |
| Sept 1-25, 2013 | 784 |
| Total | 17702 |

*ECC annual report covered through March 2013
**Not an error. Visits for both May and June were 3244.

Top Ten Landing Pages (Google Analytics)
April 2013-Sept 25, 2013*
(To view pages on old site, use domain old_nasig.associationsonline.com/)

| | |
|---|---|
| http://www.nasig.org and /index.cfm | 6049 |
| /committee-core-competencies-task-force.cfm | 4191 |
| /conference_registration.cfm [main conference page] | 2607 |
| /activities_calendar.cfm?action=detail&rec=295 [conference registration event calendar access] | 421 |
| /registrationcontent.cfm [conference registration page] | 366 |
| /resources_webinar.cfm | 348 |
| /publications_licnego101.cfm | 266 |
| /committee-conference-proceedings-editors.cfm | 152 |
| /about_awards_schwartz.cfm | 127 |
| /activities_calendar.cfm?action=month&date=41760 [calendar entry for 2014 conference] | 125 |

*ECC annual report covered through March 2013

**Questions for Board**

The new site has the built-in capability for handling online donations by credit card. There's even the potential to set up multiple funds, which ECC will need to work with the treasurer on. Would the board like us to proceed with that?

**Recommendations to Board**

Because the website migration has proved to be such an all-consuming project so far this year, it has in some ways not been an optimal time for testing the transfer of the publicist position to ECC. Nonetheless, we do think that the marketing aspects of ECC's work, and the amount of collaboration between the committee and the publicist make ECC a natural home for the position. (Not to mention that Char's extensive knowledge of the website and her many hours of work on the migration were a godsend.)

Submitted on: September 27, 2013

## Financial Development Committee

Submitted by: Rob Van Rennes

**Members**

Rob Van Rennes, chair (University of Iowa)
(Vacant), vice-chair, Christine Stamison resigned
Virginia Bacon, member (East Carolina University)
Joe Badics), member (Eastern Michigan University)
Lisa Blackwell), member (Chamberlain College of

Nursing)
Catherine Nelson), member (University of California, Santa Barbara)
Elizabeth Parang), member (Pepperdine University)
Peter Whiting), board liaison (University of Southern Indiana)

**Continuing Activities**

The Committee continues to investigate the possibilities for video streaming of the vision sessions at upcoming NASIG Conferences. Private companies and other organizations that have video streamed their programs have been contacted.

Members are developing a recommended marketing plan for the organization. Vendors and publishers are being consulted on the viability of various advertising strategies. Policies and advertising structures at other similar organizations are being examined.

**Completed Activities**

Members developed and proposed the establishment of a lifetime membership fee. The recommendation has been submitted and is awaiting approval from the Executive Board.

The Committee discussed and recommended to the Board that the Ad Rates associated with the NASIG website be reduced to entice more business. This suggestion was approved.

**Budget**

There are no funding requests at this time.

**Action Required by Board**

Approve the Lifetime Membership Fee proposal.

**Questions for Board**

It was mentioned that the FDC would be provided with a list of Sponsors that would be entitled to free advertising for their financial support of the NASIG Conference. Is there a timeline for providing this list to the committee so they can begin to arrange for the advertising?

Submitted on: September 20th, 2013

## Membership Development Committee

Submitted by: Pat Adams

**Members**

Pat Adams, chair (YBP Library Services)
Denise Novak, member (Carnegie Mellon University)
Steve Fallon, member (DeGruyter)
Trina Holloway, member (Georgia State University)
Alejandra Nann, member (University of San Diego)
Chris Brady, board liaison (U.S. Dept. of Justice Libraries)

**Continuing Activities**

The committee continues to contact non-renewed members, giving them personalized instructions on how to renew their membership. The committee also sends welcome letters to new member who have joined or re-joined NASIG.

At the Board's request, the committee is drafting a brief survey in coordination with Conference Planning and Program Planning to distribute to NASIG members who did not attend the 2013 conference in Buffalo, NY. The draft survey will be submitted to the Board by mid-October. The committee is working in coordination with Database and Directory to identify the list of member non-attendees. Identification of the member non-attendees was put on hold until completion of the new NASIG website data migration. After the Board approves the survey, MDC will distribute to member non-attendees.

**Completed Activities**

Non-renewed members were contacted by the committee as well as new members at the end of

September for the July and August non-renewals and new joins. MDC failed to receive the lists of non-renewals and new members when they were initially sent, caused by use of an incorrect email address.

**Budget**

The MDC has no budget requirements at this time.

**Statistical Information**

Eight new members were contacted and 3 non-renewals were contacted.

**Action Required by Board**

Denise Novak has agreed to be vice chair of MDC pending approval by the board.

**Recommendations to Board**

The new website makes it possible for MDC to generate reports of non-renewed members and new members. The MDC chair recommends that MDC generate the lists on a monthly basis for the purpose of contacting the non-renewed and new members. If the board approves, the chair of MDC will generate the two lists on a monthly basis and distribute assignments to MDC committee members.

Submitted on: October 1, 2013

## *Newsletter*

Submitted by: Angela Dresselhaus

**Members**

Angela Dresselhaus, editor-in-chief (The University of Montana)
Kate Moore, Incoming editor-in-chief (Indiana University Southeast)
Wm. Joseph Thomas, profiles editor (East Carolina University)
Sharon Dyas-Correia, profiles editor (University of Toronto Libraries)
Kurt Blythe, columns editor (University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill)
Betsy Gardiner, conference & calendar editor (EBSCO Information Services)
Rachel A. Erb, submissions editor (Colorado State University)
Angie Rathmel, copy editor (University of Kansas)
Joseph Dresselhaus, copy editor
Kate Moore, PDF production editor (Indiana University Southeast)
Tim Hagan, board liaison (Northwestern University)

**Continuing Activities**

- *Newsletter* Position descriptions are under review
- Soliciting ideas for special issue topics
- Training the incoming EiC

**Completed Activities**

Published issues
- September 2013
- Special issues on: Core Competencies for Electronic Resources Librarians and NASIGuides

Personnel updates
- Resignations:
  - Ning Han's assignment was reduced to include only calendar duties
- Appointments:
  - Betsy Gardiner, EBSCO Information Services: Calendar editor

Newsletter Platform Updates
- Updated *Newsletter* site to reflect new committee report due dates
- Created a chart to help identify what issue committee reports/ updates are published

**Budget**

Online *Chicago Manual of Style* license not renewed

**Statistical Information**

- 50,926 Full text downloads since the *Newsletter* was hosted on the bepress platform.
- 2,224 Full text downloads 8-27-2013 to 9-26-2013.

Submitted on: September 27, 2013

## Nominations and Elections

Submitted by: Kevin Furniss

**Members**

Kevin Furniss, chair (Tulane University)
Danielle Williams, vice-chair (University of Evansville)
Karen Davidson, member (Mississippi State University)
Christie Degener, member (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Health Sciences Library)
Steve Shadle, member (University of Washington)
Jeff Slagell, member (Delta State University)
Jenni Wilson, member (Alexander Street Press)
Robert Boissy, board liaison (Springer Verlag)

**Continuing Activities**

Working with Kathryn Wesley of ECC to iron out information extraction problems. Continuing to monitor submissions. Thus far we have 3 names for VP-Pres. Elect and 10 for Member-At-Large. Will inform ECC and *Newsletter* Editor if we need more shout outs to increase nominations.

**Completed Activities**

Call for Nominations completed and submitted to President and *Newsletter* Editor for posting to appropriate venues. Had considerable difficulties extracting information from ArcStone, exacerbated by website switch.

**Budget**

$100 contingency is fine. Spoke with previous Chair, whose only expenses were conference calls.

Submitted on: September 28, 2013

## Program Planning Committee

Submitted by: Kelli Getz

**Members**

Kelli Getz, chair (University of Houston)
Anna Creech, vice-chair (University of Richmond)
Michael Arthur, member (University of Central Florida)
Morag Boyd, member (Ohio State University)
Patrick Carr, member (East Carolina University)
Kittie Henderson, member (EBSCO)
Violeta Ilik, member (Texas A & M University)
Mary Ann Jones, member (Mississippi State University)
Mike Markwith, member (WT Cox Subscriptions)
Buddy Pennington, member (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
Diana Reid, member (University of Louisville)
Wendy Robertson, member (University of Iowa)
Steve Kelley, board liaison (Wake Forest University)

**Continuing Activities - 2014 Program Related Activities**

<u>Call for Proposals</u>

The first call for proposals will be open from October 1 - November 15, 2013. The decision was made to have one long call for proposals this year instead of the two separate month-long calls for proposals that we did in the past. Reducing the number of call for proposals will help PPC because we were always unsure of how many to accept during the first call for proposals because we didn't know how many proposals we would get during the second call. Additionally, we decided to move the deadline for proposals back from September/October to

October/November due to complaints about the early proposal deadline.

This year's call for proposals will target the core competencies like we did last year. This year's program topics were identified as:

- Electronic resource life cycle and management
- Collection analysis and development
- Standards and systems of cataloging and classification, metadata, and indexing
- Technology and providing access to electronic resources
- Licensing and legal framework
- Standards, initiatives, and best practices
- Scholarly communication

Also, the PPC will be using the proposal collecting product called Proposal Space (www.proposalspace.com) to collect and review all of the proposals. A subgroup of the PPC trialed Proposal Space over the summer and found it to be a better way of collecting proposals than SurveyMonkey, which was used in the past.

Conference Schedule

The 2014 draft conference schedule accompanies this report. Attendees generally liked the longer breaks during the 2013 conference, so the PPC will keep the longer breaks for 2014.

Vision Speakers

We approached 3 potential Vision Speakers and are awaiting either signed MOUs or actual confirmation. One of the potential Vision Speakers that we approached declined our invitation to speak (Heather Piwowar of Impact Story).

- Friday, May 2, 2014 - Katherine Skinner - Executive Director of Educopia Institute - awaiting confirmation
- Saturday, May 3, 2014 - Herbert Van de Sompel - Leader of Prototyping Team at Research Library of the Los Alamos National Laboratory - confirmed and waiting on signed MOU
- Sunday, May 4, 2014 - Jenica Rogers - Director of Libraries at SUNY Potsdam - confirmed and waiting on signed MOU

Preconferences

Preconferences currently underway include:

- RDA full day workshop (two 4-hour sessions) presented by Les Hawkins and Hein Nguyen of the Library of Congress – confirmed and waiting on MOUs and special travel paperwork for LoC staff
- E-resources for beginners half-day workshop presented by Claire Dygert of Florida Virtual Campus - confirmed and waiting on Claire to send travel estimates so that the Board can approve/deny her travel expenses
- E-resources for advanced professions half-day workshop - Dani Roach and Carmelita Pickett both said no. We have contacted Lisa Macklin of Emory University to see if she would be interested. We are waiting on her confirmation.
- Open access workshop - We approached Amy Buckland of McGill University to see if she would be interested in presenting.

Great Ideas Showcase

PPC is planning on hosting a Great Ideas Showcase again. We learned many things from our first Showcase last year and are planning on making improvements for the 2014 Showcase such as hosting the event in a larger space, including better signage, including special guidelines for posters (dimensions, ways to display them, etc.) and guidelines for laptops (need to find way for crowd to see laptop screen, send PowerPoint Slides and handouts to SlideShare before conference, etc.).

**Completed Activities**

The MOUs now include updated language to refer speakers to Taylor & Francis for author guidelines, clarification on the papers for the conference proceedings, etc. Additionally, session speakers will have to sign MOUs for the 2014 conference. A template for the session speaker MOU has been created and is up on the NASIG website under the Forms section.

**Questions for Board**

- Does the Board want the PPC to include Lightning Talks during the 2014 conference? It was mentioned at the Board meeting in Buffalo.
- What is the preconference speaker rate? The preconference speaker rate is sometimes listed as ½ off the regular registration rate and other times as $200.

Submitted on: September 25, 2013

## Publications and Public Relations

Submitted by Jennifer Bazeley and Charlene Simser

**Members**

Jennifer Bazeley, chair (Miami University)
Charlene Simser, publicist (Kansas State University)
Jeannie Castro, member (University of Houston)
Eleanor Cook, member (East Carolina University)
Melissa Johnson, member (Georgia Regents University)
Clinton Chamberlain, board liaison (University of Texas at Arlington)

**Continuing Activities**

Committee

Members of the committee have been compiling the content for the NASIG Wikipedia entry in a Google doc. Because incomplete Wikipedia entries are sometimes deleted, we wanted to compile the relevant information in a separate document before creating the Wikipedia entry. The content can be viewed here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zrOcAhz_1Csx4i20aXliqB0hHT81Yt1dakRrxS7QMmg/edit.

Publicist

Realignment of Publications/PR, with the publicist temporarily working with ECC, has been a positive experience. The new website provides greater flexibility for news items. The publicist works closely with ECC to identify items for the blog, and in the near-future, ECC web members will also update the NASIG and Other News items and Events on the homepage. The publicist also monitors the addition of articles to the Newsletter, and highlights a few under NASIG News on the homepage as they are published. The listservs subscribed to by the publicist also provide posts for the Jobs Blog, which are forwarded to ECC to post. Many thanks to Jennifer Bazeley, current chair of Pub/PR and former publicist, for providing guidance and answering innumerable questions, and to Kathryn Wesley, co-chair (web) of ECC and Chris Bulock, vice co-chair (web) & ArcStone liaison, for enduring my questions and suggestions.

**Completed Activities**

Publicist

The publicist provided announcements to external listservs for several items since June, including announcing the Core Competencies adoption by the NASIG Board, the 2014 conference theme, and the September webinar. Core Competencies and a "Save the Date" (for the annual conference) was also sent to Against the Grain. President Tenney asked the publicist to work closely CPC and PPC on conference publicity, and this resulted in some email discussion with the CPC chair about attempting to consolidate a publication schedule with who does what/when/where/how.
As a member of Pub/PR, the publicist helped with locating a missing NASIGuide and worked with the author to have ECC update the original PDF and upload it.

**Budget**

$0 expended to date

**Questions for Board**

If there is additional information that board members would like to see on the proposed Wikipedia entry, please send it to Jennifer Bazeley (jwbazeley@gmail.com).

**Recommendations to Board**

The publicist (Charlene Simser) and the committee chair (Jennifer Bazeley) agree that combining the Publications/Public Relations Committee with the CEC would be beneficial, as long as there are a few dedicated members assigned to publications and public relations issues.

Submitted on: September 27, 2013

## Site Selection Committee

Submitted by: Anne E. McKee

**Members**

Anne E. McKee, Site Selection Coordinator
Joyce Tenney, NASIG President, 2013/2014
Steve Kelley, NASIG VP/President-elect, 2013/2014

**Continuing Activities**

1. Still accepting proposals from potential sites and cities for the 2016 conference (Approximately 14 received so far)
2. Answering any questions from the individual cities CVB or individual hotels

**Completed Activities**

1. Contract for the 2015 hotel (Crystal City Hilton, Alexandria, VA) was signed by Pres. Tenney on 8/29/2013. However, countersigned contract has not been received as of the date of this report.
2. RFP for 2016 conference was distributed the first week of September, 2013 by Pres. Tenney, McKee then sent the RFP to cities that were not represented at the HSMAI-MEET fair.
3. RFP was updated AND Site Selection Committee agreed to which dates should be avoided and what dates may work for the 2016 conference.

**Budget**

No additional budget requested beyond committee budget request.

**Action Required by Board-**

Please try and winnow down the prospective list of possible cities to no more than three (for ease's sake!)

**Questions for Board**

Would the board be agreeable to the Site Selection Committee working with the targeted potential sites for bids that include dates outside of the normal June dates and the normal Thurs-Sun pattern, provided it offered a benefit for NASIG?

Submitted on: 9/24/2013

## Student Outreach Committee

Submitted by: Kate Seago

**Members**

Kate Seago, chair (University of Kentucky)
Katy DiVittorio, vice-chair (University of Colorado, Denver)
Eugenia Beh, member (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
Jamie Carlstone, member (University of Chicago)
Shannon Regan (Mercer University)
Sarah Sutton, board liaison (Emporia State University)

**Continuing Activities:**

Katy DiVittorio is leading a project to survey library students about membership and participation in professional organizations in order to better market NASIG to LIS students... The survey is at the question writing and review stage. The SOC hopes to distribute the survey in January 2014. We have received input on the survey questions from the Board Members as well as SOC members.

The SOC committee will review the list of current ambassadors and ambassador guidelines documents on the website for any updates and plan to get the word out about NASIG events in the spring.

**Completed Activities**

A request was sent to the Board and money approved to randomly award an Amazon gift card of $50 to encourage participation in the survey.

The committee roster and documents were successfully moved to the new website by the Web Managers after consulting with the chair.

**Budget**

The budget for the SOC is $150 covering the Amazon gift card and printing of the SOC handout. The SOC handout is used at the NASIG annual meeting and other events to recruit ambassadors.

**Actions Required by Board**

The Board has requested that SOC respond to them by September 20 about whether members are interested in helping with a boot camp for training library science students and new librarians in the basics of electronic resources.

1. Do you think that your library school communities would be interested in an "e-resources boot camp" type of program?

Some SOC members were doubtful if library science students from their area would travel to Texas for a “boot-camp.” They definitely thought turn out would be higher if it was offered as a webinar or locally perhaps in collaboration with state or regional organizations. Most members also felt that the audience should not only be current LIS students, but recent graduates and new librarians to the field.

2. Would you be interested in participating in such a train-the-trainer workshop as trainers to be trained so that they could then go out into their library school communities and teach a version of the "e-resources boot camp"?

The SOC members would definitely be interested in participating in a train the trainer type workshop to help. We can also ask our school ambassadors depending on how many trainers were needed. We would like to know the time and resource commitment as early as possible to make sure that individual SOC members could make that commitment.

3. The Board tossed around several ideas for timing, locations, etc. for such an "e-resources boot camp" including as a preconference to the NASIG 2014 annual conference. Do you have any questions or suggestions related to that topic?

Most of the SOC members believe a preconference to NASIG would be the most convenient time for the first “e-resource boot camp” or train the trainer event. After that, it may depend upon what connections and network each trainer has as to where the next would be held. It would be nice if we could target some areas such as California, Chicago, Northeast, etc. where we knew we could draw in people from several schools at once along with nearby alumni.

Submitted on: September 30, 2013

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