



Committee Annual Reports and Updates

Awards and Recognition Committee

Submitted by: Vanessa Mitchell

Members

Jamie Carlstone, chair (Northwestern University)
Vanessa Mitchell, vice-chair (Library of Congress)
Barbara Ballew (Texas Tech University Health Sciences)
Susan Davis (SUNY at Buffalo)
Susan Elkins (Sam Houston State University)
Smita Joshipura (Arizona State University)
Jennifer Leffler (University of Northern Colorado)
Tessa Minchew (North Carolina State University)
Kate Moore (Indiana University Southeast)
Dejah Rubel (Ferris State University)
Joe Hinger, ex-officio (St. John's University)
Shannon Keller, board liaison (New York Public Library)

Continuing Activities

By continuing to offer awards to attend the annual conference, the work of the A&R Committee helps ensure that a diverse group of librarians, paraprofessionals and students can have an opportunity they might not otherwise be able to afford and interact with others in the NASIG community.

Additionally, the Marcia Tuttle International Grant and the Fritz Schwartz Education Scholarship help foster scholarly communications, the former for a professional already working in the field and the latter for someone who has shown strength in doing so as a student.

Completed Activities

In support of the work referenced above in the Continuing Activities, for the 2020 conference (now deferred to the 2021 conference due to Covid19), the A&R Committee reviewed 67 applications and awarded 12 grants.

Action(s) Required by Board

A decision needs to be made about running awards next year. Possible options:

1. Run the full slate of awards, as normal, so there are 2020 and 2021 winners.
2. Run no awards next year, so the conference just honors 2020 winners.
3. Run some awards, but not all.

Questions for Board

Typically, after the conference, award winners are surveyed, a few are interviewed and all turn in reports for the newsletter in September. The A&R Committee would like to have the option of not making these requests of the awardees. This doesn't mean that A&R won't do this; the committee would just prefer more flexibility in what it asks of awardees.

Recommendations to Board

Seek out sponsorships sooner so they can be part of the autumn budget discussions.

Submitted on: June 28, 2020

Bylaws Committee

Submitted by: Laurie Kaplan

Members

Laurie Kaplan, chair (ProQuest)
Maria Aghazarian (Swarthmore College)
Christina Geuther (Kansas State University)
Derrick Hiatt (Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi)
Stephen Sweeney (St. John Vianney Theological Seminary)
Keondra Bailey, board liaison (Duke University)

Continuing Activities

Asked for and received information regarding assignment of a co-chair/chair-elect for 2020-2021; email exchange with Betsy Appleton indicated that having a co-chair would be encouraged; Stephen Sweeney has agreed to take that role.

Completed Activities

Responded to a request from the board for input regarding the tiered membership option and voting process.

Reviewed our Bylaws Manual and calendar against the latest version of the Bylaws; updates have been posted on the NASIG website.

Budget

None needed at this time.

Submitted on: June 17, 2020

Communications Committee

Submitted by: Matt Jabaily and Alexis Linoski

Members

Matthew Jabaily, co-chair/webspinner (University of Colorado Colorado Springs)

Alexis Linoski, co-chair/list manager (Georgia Institute of Technology)

Rebecca Tatterson, vice co-chair/webspinner (East Carolina University)

Melissa Randall, SERIALST moderator, (Clemson University)

Stephanie Adams (Tennessee Tech)

Treasa Bane (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

Rachel Blume (University of Utah)

Rachel Miles (Virginia Tech)

Sofia Slutskaya (Georgia Tech)

Heidi Zuniga (Colorado State University)

Peter Whiting, archivist (University of Southern Indiana)

Eugenia Beh, marketing & social media coordinator (MIT)

Chris Bullock, marketing & social media coordinator in training (California State University Northridge)

Michael Fernandez, board liaison (Yale University)

Continuing Activities

- Committee has continued its regular duties, including website updates, nasig-l emails, list maintenance, blog updates, jobs blog, social media updates, webinar uploads, and SlideShare uploads.
- Updates to committee's documentation and wiki are behinds schedule; this will need to be pursued in the coming year.
- The committee is still exploring alternatives to SlideShare for posting conference slides. New volunteers from the committee may be needed for this work.
- The committee is still exploring moving other ListServes to SimpleLists (SERIALST has already been moved)

Completed Activities

- The CC has fully taken over responsibility of the website from the WBIF.
- The CC provided an online forum for the online conference. It will continue to maintain and monitor the forum through the end of June.
- Chris Bullock setup blast messages via Wild Apricot.

Submitted on: June 26, 2020

Conference Proceedings Editors

Submitted by: Paul Moeller

Members

Paul Moeller, production editor (University of Colorado Boulder)

Cecilia Genereux, production assistant, (University of Minnesota Twin Cities)

Courtney McAllister, editor (Yale Lillian Goldman Law Library)

Sara Bahnmaier, editor (University of Michigan)

Betsy Appleton, board liaison (Tarlton Law Library, The University of Texas at Austin)

Continuing Activities

The Conference Proceedings Editors are transitioning to work on the proceedings for the 2020 meeting. These activities support Strategic Direction #4.

Completed Activities

Completed activities for the 2019 Proceedings include:

- Edited submitted papers
- Worked with authors to improve quality of papers
- Compiled front and back matter
- Trained new editor
- Submitted 37 papers to Taylor and Francis
- Recruited new editor
- The proceedings will be published in summer 2020 as vol. 78, issue 1-4 of *Serials Librarian*.

Action(s) Required by Board

The Board should work with the proceeding editors on transitioning publication of the proceedings from Taylor & Francis

Submitted on: June 23, 2020

Continuing Education Committee

Submitted by: Jennifer Pate and Adele Fitzgerald

Members

Jennifer Pate, Co-Chair, Webinar Coordinator, (University of North Alabama)

Adele Fitzgerald, Co-Chair, Committee Coordinator, (St. Joseph's College New York)

Amy Carlson (University of Hawaii at Manoa)

Melanie Church (Rockhurst University)

Kate Hill (University of North Carolina at Greensboro)

Gerardo Andres Aguilar Juarez (Student, Mexico)

Julia Palos (Ball State University)

Julia Proctor (Pennsylvania State University)

Kayla Whitehead (Appalachian State University)

Tony Zanders (Boston University)

Lisa Martincik, board liaison (University of Iowa)

Continuing Activities

CEC Subgroup Reports:

- Webinar task force group (cec-webinars): The webinar *What makes a good Mentor?* occurred on March 4, and the new panel speaker format facilitated by Kate Hill was quite successful. A second March webinar titled *Upcycling a Schol Comm Unit* was postponed due to the Covid-19 situation, as was the April webinar titled *Unpaywall/Net Cost Per Paid Use*. The six-month embargo of the October 24, 2019 webinar titled *Designing for Accessibility* presented by Mellissa Green has passed, and the recording is now freely available on YouTube. The CEC Webinar procedural documentation was updated to reflect the new Wild Apricot interface, and procedures using the Zoom platform will be implemented at the start of the next term. Ideas and lessons learned from the NASIG 2020 Online event will be taken into consideration for future CEC webinars.
- Group to coordinate/maintain captioning (cec-captions): The team transferred the remediated caption files to the NASIG Webmaster replaced the error-prone auto captioned files.

- Group that updates core competencies cec-core-comp): Team is in the process of incorporating Board-approved updates to the *Scholarly Communication Librarians* core competencies document.
- Group to add ccbysa disclaimer on applicable NASIGuides (cec-guides): Nothing to report
- Area to handle CEC webpage updates (cec-web-liasion): Nothing to report
- Area to identify and rectify CEC document revision issues (cec-docs): Nothing to report
- Group to pilot Twitter chat (cec-twitter-chat): Nothing to report

Completed Activities

The CEC successfully completed the transition from the AMO to the Wild Apricot registration system. The CEC has decided to transition from WebEx to Zoom for all future webinars. Several CEC members assisted with the planning and deployment of the NASIG 2020 Online Conference, and enabled Slack for use as a back-end communication tool.

Statistical Information

March webinar *What makes a good Mentor*: 5 registrants

Action(s) Required by Board

None to report

Questions for Board

None to report

Recommendations to Board

The CEC would like to adopt Zoom, and discontinue WebEx.

Submitted on: June 23, 2020

Digital Preservation Committee

Submitted by: Ted Westervelt

Members

Ted Westervelt, chair (Library of Congress)
 Narine Bournoutian (Columbia University)
 Danielle Bromelia (OCLC)
 James Phillpotts (Oxford University Press)
 Michelle Polchow (University of California, Davis)
 Wendy Robertson (University of Iowa)
 Heather Staines (MIT Knowledge Futures Group)
 Willa Tavernier (Indiana University)
 Shannon Keller, board liaison (New York Public Library)

Continuing Activities

- Review, updating and development of NASIGuides for digital preservation (Strategic Direction #4)
- Set a schedule with partners in SSP and LPC for developing a Model Preservation Policy (Strategic Direction #4)
- Use of NASIG social media for outreach about digital preservation resources and to identify digital preservation needs within the community (Strategic Direction #4)

Completed Activities

- Updated and revised NASIGuides on Digital Preservation 101 and Talking Points and Questions to Ask Publishers about Digital Preservation have been posted to the NASIG website (Strategic Direction #4)
- Two members of the committee presented on the value of The Keepers Registry in digital preservation at the virtual conference (Strategic Direction #4)

Submitted on: June 22, 2020

Evaluation and Assessment Committee

Submitted by: Esta Tovstiadi

Members

Esta Tovstiadi, chair (SUNY SLSS)
Katy Divittorio, vice-chair (University of Colorado Denver)
Clint Chamberlain (Harassowitz)
Iris Garcia (Emory)
Tim Hagan (Northwestern University)
Brad Hanley (Taylor and Francis)
Preston Livingston (Texas A&M University-Commerce)
Trina Nolen (Lamar University)
Diana Reid (University of Louisville)
Lisa Wallis (Northeastern Illinois University)
Derek Wilmott (Clemson University)
Michael Fernandez, board liaison (Yale)

Continuing Activities

The Chair is currently updating the Committee manual to reflect changes to the conference survey that were implemented this year.

Completed Activities

- Drafted and implemented changes to the annual conference survey. For each session or workshop, the survey now asks two questions (on a 1 to 5 scale, with 1 being Strongly Disagree and 5 being Strongly Agree) about both the speaker(s) and the session rather than asks for 1 to 5 ratings for the session and speaker(s). The new questions are:
 - The workshop/session provided valuable information and/or skills.
 - I would be interested in future sessions or a webinar on this topic.
 - PRESENTER NAME was knowledgeable about the topic.
 - PRESENTER NAME was clear, well-organized and easy to understand.
- Discussed survey incentives. Recommended investigating different incentive for next year (focus on incentive local to the conference area or supporting a smaller business. The current incentive is a drawing for a \$50 Amazon gift card).

- The vice-chair discovered that our SurveyMonkey subscription had lapsed and worked with the Treasurer to correct the issue.

Budget

Nothing to report or request.

Submitted on: November 29, 2019

Membership Services Committee

Submitted by: Christine Radcliff

Members

Christine Radcliff, co-chair, (Texas A&M University-Kingsville)
Mandi Smith, co-chair, (University of Arkansas)
Heather Barrett (Southern Methodist University)
Nancy Bennett (Carroll University)
Bethany Nash (Georgia Gwinnette College)
Francene Lewis (Calvin College)
David Macaulay (University of Wyoming)
Cindy Shirkey (East Carolina University)
Suzy Kozaitis (Florida institute of Technology)
Elizabeth McDonald (University of Memphis)
Cris Ferguson, Board Liaison, (Murray State University)

Continuing Activities

- Responding to member login problems, renewal and invoicing questions.
- Sending monthly reports to Communications committee, Newsletter and NISO contacts.
- Updating the Membership Services Committee manual to reflect Wild Apricot information.

Questions for Board

Should Membership Services still be sending the monthly reports to Communications committee, Newsletter and NISO contacts? Can we just have them copied on the welcome email, and they can add the new members at their discretion?

Submitted on: May 28, 2020

Newsletter

Submitted by: Lori Duggan

Members

Lori Duggan, editor-in-chief (Indiana University)

Maria Aghazarian, advertising editor (Swarthmore College)

Kurt Blythe, columns editor (University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill)

Marsha Seamans, conference & submissions editor (University of Kentucky)

Stephanie Rosenblatt, copy editor (Cerritos College)

Jessica LaBrie, copy editor (Wellesley College)

Faye O'Reilly, layout editor (Wichita State)

Christian Burris, profiles editor (Wake Forest University)

Beth Ashmore, board liaison (Samford University)

Continuing Activities

The May 2020 issue is currently in production.

Completed Activities

Published issues:

- May 2019
- September 2019
- December 2019
- March 2020

Personnel Updates:

Angela Dresselhaus will assume the role of Editor-in-Chief for the 2020-2022 term

Statistical Information

- 140,702 full-text downloads since the Newsletter was hosted on the bepress platform (May 2010- June 2020)
- 16,769 full-text downloads for the past year (May 2019 – June 2020)

- 5,320 full-text downloads since last report (February 2020 – June 2020)

Top 5 downloaded articles from the May 2019 issue (as of 6/15/20):

Article Title	Downloads
PPC Update	34
Standards Corner	32
March 12, 2019 Conference Call	28
January 16, 2019 Conference Call	27
Committee Annual Reports	26

Total downloads for May 2019 issue: 572

Top 5 downloaded articles from the September 2019 issue (as of 6/15/20):

Article Title	Downloads
2019 conference Reports	86
Committee Reports/Updates	34
Spokane Fun Facts	33
Profile of Kristen Wilson	30
CPC Update	27

Total downloads for September 2019 issue: 768

Top 5 downloaded articles from the December 2019 issue (as of 6/15/20):

Article Title	Downloads
Checking In	27
Title Changes	21
September 11, 2019 Conference Call	19
July 10, 2019 Conference Call	19
CPC Update	17

Total downloads for December 2018 issue: 550

Top 5 downloaded articles from the March 2020 issue (as of 6/15/20):

Article Title	Downloads
2020 NASIG Election Slate	30
Call for Volunteers	29
Profile of DeEtta Jones	24
Title Changes	21
Checking In	20

Total downloads for March 2020 issue: 267

Submitted on: June 15, 2020

Nominations and Elections Committee

Submitted by: Madeline Kelly

Members

Madeline Kelly, chair (Western Washington University)

Xiaoyan Song, vice-chair (North Carolina State University)

Kristin D'Amato (Central Connecticut State University)

Rowena Griem (Yale University)

Susan Vandale (Dickinson College)

Sharon Whitfield (Rider University)

Sue Wiegand (Saint Mary's College)

Steve Shadle, board liaison (University of Washington)

Continuing Activities

- Committee will review any challenges to the election. Challenges may be filed through May 1, 2020.
- Committee will begin reviewing and revising the Nominations & Elections Committee Manual, particularly in light of the NASIG transition from AMO web software to Wild Apricot web software.
- The 2020/2021 committee will continue refining the inclusion statement for email blasts for future calls for nominations. The Diversity Committee will be consulted for language suggestions.
- The 2020/2021 committee will begin electing two MAL positions per year.

Completed Activities

- The Committee vetted nominees for Vice-President/President-Elect (VP/PE) and Member-at-Large (MAL), including reviewing nominee CVs, position statements, and references.
- The Committee revised and updated the Petition Candidate Profile Form and conducted the call for petition candidates.
- The Committee completed the transition to the election of two MAL positions per year, including assigning two incoming MALs three-year terms and one a two-year term.
- The Committee solicited nominations for VP/PE (9 nominees, including 3 solicited via a special re-opened call for nominations) and MAL (23 nominees).
- The Committee confirmed that 9 nominees for MAL and 2 for VP/PE were willing to be considered for the election slate. As part of this process, the Committee switched from cold-calling nominees (a strategy used in the past) to contacting them first via email and following up by phone if necessary.
- The 2020 election was conducted according to the planned timetable. Election results were announced to the NASIG membership on April 16/17, 2020.

Elections Overview

The Call for Nominations was announced to membership on October 1st, 2019, and remained open through November 1st, 2019.

The reopened Call for Nominations for Vice President/President-Elect was announced to membership on December 9, 2019, and remained open through December 15, 2019. That Call produced 3 nominations.

Call for petition candidates was announced to membership on February 24, 2020, and remained open through March 15, 2020. No petition candidates were submitted.

The final slate consisted of the following number of candidates:

- 2 for Vice President/President-Elect
- 7 for three Member-At-Large positions

Statistical Information

The initial call for nominations produced the following nominations:

- 9 for Vice President/President-Elect
- 23 for three Member-At-Large positions

The subsequent re-opened call produced another 3 nominations for VP/PE.

The final slate consisted of the following number of candidates:

- 2 for Vice President/President-Elect
- 7 for three Member-At-Large positions

Questions for Board:

For the past two years, the Nominations & Elections Committee has had a difficult time recruiting sufficient willing nominees for Vice President/President-Elect. Strategies for recruitment have included direct outreach to the Executive Board, committee chairs, and known individuals, as well as opening a second call for nominations during December. This challenge puts pressure on the Nominations & Elections Committee to solve an issue that is truly organization-wide. Does the Board have any suggestions for additional recruitment strategies, or a bigger-picture vision for how NASIG might develop and mentor leaders from within?

Submitted on: May 4, 2020

Open Initiatives Committee

Submitted by: Andrew Wesolek

Members

Andrew Wesolek, Chair (Vanderbilt University)
 Stephanie Adams (Tennessee Tech)
 Maria Aghazarian (Swarthmore)
 Melissa Hart Cantrell (University of Colorado Boulder)

Karen Ho (University of Toronto)
 Virginia Martin (Duke University)
 Rachel Miles (Virginia Tech)
 David Scherer (Carnegie Mellon University)
 Andrea Wright (University of Southern Indiana)

Continuing Activities

We added a button to the NASIG donations page, where contributors can earmark their contributions for the OA fund. As noted below, we are likely to be more successful soliciting donations from University libraries, and perhaps other organizations. If this approach is adopted, in order to solicit donors, we will want to identify donor institutions, perhaps on a separate web page.

Completed Activities

In coordination with Nicole Ameduri, we hosted a happy house fundraiser at ER&L that generated nearly \$500 in funds for the journal.

Questions for Board

We raised nearly \$500 at the ER&L happy hour, but our plans to solicit donations at the NASIG Conference have been upended by the pandemic. Questions for the board:

What is the future of the proceedings issue, since the in-person conference has been cancelled this year? Does this impact the proposed research/presentation tracks? Does the board have a system in place to vet papers for submission to the journal? To meet our goals, we should pivot to soliciting donations from Universities. Does the board have thoughts on making tiers of contributors visible on the website? For example: Gold, silver, bronze levels of support? If this is a viable path, are we the appropriate committee to contact Universities, or should that be undertaken as part of our broader fundraising efforts?

Submitted on: June 1, 2020

Standards Committee

Submitted by: Fiona Greve (nee McNabb)

Members

Fiona Greve (nee McNabb), chair (Computercraft)
Matthew Ragucci, vice-chair (Wiley)
Beverly Geckle (Middle Tennessee State University)
Jennifer Combs (Kansas City Public Library)
Jessica Scott (Clemson University)
Mark Hemhauser (University of California at Berkeley)
Melissa Belvadi (University of Prince Edward Island)
Pat Kenney (Wheaton College)
Peter McCracken (Cornell University)
Rowena Griem (Yale Univ. Library)
Tessa Minchew (North Carolina State University)
Keondra Bailey, board liaison (Duke Medical Center
Library & Archives)

Continuing Activities

The Standards Committee continues to cast the official NASIG vote on the monthly NISO ballots we receive as a benefit of our membership in NISO (<http://www.niso.org/standards/ballots>). NASIG is currently a member of the following NISO voting pools.

ANSI/NISO Z39.78 (Library Binding)
ANSI/NISO Z39.88 (OpenURL Framework)
ANSI/NISO Z39.43 (Standard Address Number (SAN) for the Publishing Industry)
ANSI/NISO Z39.84 (Syntax for the Digital Object Identifier)

Peter McCracken continues in the role of NISO representative, and acts as the liaison between NISO and NASIG membership. Peter manages our new process for dissemination of NISO-related information using a weekly digest email to inform NASIG members about new ballots and give the NASIG membership a chance to learn more or provide feedback and expertise to our committee.

The committee continues to edit and fill in various sections within our Committee Manual.

The committee will continue to submit “pop-up” columns to NASIG Newsletter, on an irregular basis, as a way of updating the membership about note-worthy happenings and issues in the greater standards community.

The committee continues to seek avenues to bring standards to a wider audience within NASIG membership and draw out more participation in standards from the membership. Questions and comments are always welcome and can be directed to the committee at standards@nasig.org.

Completed Activities

We have refined the process for requesting feedback on NISO ballots. While we are receiving more pointed feedback, the overall volume of feedback remains low, most likely due to the niche nature of most NISO ballot topics.

Melissa Belvadi is leaving the committee, and we do not have a volunteer to take the role of COUNTER liaison for the coming year.

Matthew Ragucci has accepted the role of committee Chair for the coming year.

Beverly Geckle has accepted the role of committee Vice Chair for the coming year.

Submitted on: June, 2020

Vendor and Publisher Engagement Task Force

Submitted by: Beth Ashmore and Anu Moorthy

Members

Anu Moorthy, chair (Duke University Medical Center)
Nicole Ameduri (SpringerNature - NASIG Fundraising Coordinator)
Philip Faust (Gale, a Cengage Company)

Maria Hatfield (WTCox)
Gregory Malar (Rockefeller University Press)
Melanie Masserant (SpringerNature)
Ray Pun (Adler Graduate School of Education)
Emily Ray (University of North Florida)
Sarah Schulman (Ithaka)
Kristy White (Duquesne University)
Beth Ashmore, board liaison (North Carolina State University)

Continuing Activities

In support of strategic direction #5, NASIG will work to enhance benefits for commercial vendors, in addition to benefits for our other members, the task force discussed ways to make NASIG membership and sponsorship more attractive to vendors and began a [brainstorming document](#) to collect task force feedback. Putting together a set of recommendations for changes to vendor and publisher opportunities in NASIG

Completed Activities

[Survey Results Summary](#)

Submitted on: June 30, 2020

Web-Based Infrastructure Implementation Task Force

Submitted by: David Macaulay

Members

David Macaulay, chair (University of Wyoming)

Membership Database Workgroup:

Leader: Christine Radcliff (Texas A&M University-Kingsville)

Members: Char Simser

Web Management Workgroup:

Leader: Matt Jabaily (University of Colorado Springs)

Members: Melissa Cantrell (University of Colorado Boulder), David Macaulay (University of Wyoming)

E-Commerce Workgroup:

Leader: Jessica Ireland (Radford University)

Event Management Workgroup:

Leader: Mary Ann Jones (Mississippi State University)

Lisa Martincik, board liaison (University of Iowa)

Continuing Activities

None. The Task Force has completed its work.

Completed Activities

Migration of all essential functions of the previous system (AMO) to the new Wild Apricot platform is complete. The new system went live on January 21, 2020, preceded by a soft launch the previous week that allowed for initial feedback from committee chairs and the Executive Board. No significant operational issues with the new system were reported; various minor concerns were addressed as they arose during the period immediately following the launch.

All activities described below generally support Strategic direction #1 ("NASIG will revitalize its marketing approach to reflect its new mission and vision), Key Action 3 ("Work on improving the NASIG website to make it easier to use and find valuable content").

Membership Database Workgroup:

Member database functionality has been fully migrated to the new Wild Apricot system.

Event Management Workgroup:

Event management functionality has been fully migrated to the new Wild Apricot system.

E-Commerce Workgroup:

E-commerce functionality has been fully migrated to the new system.

Web Management Workgroup:

Design of the new site and migration of essential web pages and files from the old site is complete. In consultation with the Archivist, some pages and files

were designated for archiving rather than migration.
PDF archives were created for all pages on the old site.
A list of the migrated pages and their archive status is
here:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1XZGulmkrdswakT0nGcpAuENquW2X3tQZ>. Access to the archived pages is

here:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1iK2AKFDpDQgwg2nmkVIPxA00cSSW5hLM>.

Recommendations to Board

With the completion of the migration to Wild Apricot, workgroup stakeholders have agreed that the subscription to AMO can be terminated.

Submitted on: June 18, 2020