American Anthropological Association
Committee Annual Report
Awards Committee

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Question 1
Please report on the activities your group undertook during the past year. Indicate how these activities correspond to the group’s charge (objectives and responsibilities, provided above). If there has been any shortfall in accomplishing these objectives, please explain.

In line with our charge, the Awards Committee organized and reviewed nominations for specific AAA awards and selected recommended winners for each. We undertook this process for the following awards and awarded the prize to the person identified:

2013 AAA Award Winners:
- Franz Boas Award for Exemplary Service to Anthropology: This award is presented annually by the AAA to its members whose careers demonstrate extraordinary achievements that have well served the anthropological profession. After EB approval, it was awarded to Louise Lamphere.
- AAA/Oxford University Press Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching of Anthropology: This award was established in 1997 to recognize teachers who have contributed to and encouraged the study of anthropology. After EB approval, it was awarded to Triloki Pandey.
- Anthropology in Media Award (AIME): This award was established in 1987 to recognize the successful communication of anthropology to the general public through the media. After EB approval, it was awarded to Kathy Reichs.

We received a recommendation from the Textor Committee for the Robert B. Textor and Family Prize for Excellence in Anticipatory Anthropology. This award was established in 1998 to encourage and reward excellent contributions in the use of anthropological perspectives, theories, models and methods in an anticipatory mode. After approval, we received a recommendation from the Textor Committee for this award. After EB approval, the prize was awarded to Jay Sokolovsky.

Question 2
Please indicate your group’s plans for activities in the coming year. If they represent significant modification or elaboration of the stated objectives and responsibilities, please explain.

The Awards Committee will continue to solicit nominations, review nomination packets, and make recommendations to the EB for the following awards:
- AAA Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching of Anthropology
- Anthropology in Media Award (AIME)
- AAA/Oxford University Press Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching of Anthropology
- AIME

It will receive a recommendation from the Textor Committee for the Robert B. Textor and Family Prize for Excellence in Anticipatory Anthropology.

The Awards Committee will act on the biennial recommendations of the designated special selection panel by submitting the following for approval:
- Selection(s) of winner(s) of the Solon T. Kimball Award.

Question 3
This question refers to any specific tasks or activities in the current Strategic Implementation Plan. They are briefly reported separately so that they can be reviewed by the appropriate staff. If your unit was not assigned any activities in the current SIP, please skip Part D.

Please briefly report on how your unit has fulfilled, or plan to fulfill, those specific tasks or activities, which appear in the current Strategic Implementation Plan. Please refer to each one by their item number:

- CoPAPIA and NAPA (National Association of Practicing Anthropologists) will develop strategies in concert with AAA staff by Spring 2014 to encourage the membership to nominate practicing anthropologists for the Solon T. Kimball Award for Public and Applied Anthropology.

The Awards Committee will act on the biennial recommendations of the designated special selection panel by submitting the following for approval:
- Selection of winner(s) of the Solon T. Kimball Award.

The Awards Committee will continue to offer annually the AAA Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching. (AAA staff will seek to renew the Oxford University Press or find a suitable sponsor beyond 2013).

Question 4
Please comment on any issues or recommendations you would like to bring to the special attention of the Executive Board. These might be problems in fulfilling group objectives and responsibilities or in fulfilling tasks listed in the SIP. For added resources, recommend changes to the group’s charge (objectives, responsibilities, products/outcomes), or recommend changes to the committee structure or membership. Any proposals or recommendations listed here will be discussed by the Operations Committee and then considered at the EB meeting for possible action.

None.