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Membership:

Provide the most recent membership numbers.
Number of Members: 236

List any factors you think may be increasing or decreasing your Section membership.
We may have also picked up five new members at our Business Meeting/Lunch. Our Invited Session, Fieldwork at the End of the Day, may have attracted some new members because that session promoted awareness of our section and its activities. The combination of the luncheon and our Business Meeting has also made becoming a member attractive. We intend to try to increase our membership this year by being in touch with seniors on the Distinguished Member List to make them aware of our work.

Finances:

Provide the most recent financial balances for Section budgets (and publication sponsored budgets).
Financial Balance: 9,383.92

Publication Sponsored budgets.
NA

List any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances.
According to the figures of our Treasurer, Margo Smith, the ASA balance is $7,720.23 plus $1,605.21 remaining in the Philip Singer account totaling $9,325.44. The AAA figure is $9,383.92, Dr. Smith will be taking this discrepancy up with the AAA.

Sessions:

List the titles of your Section's AAA meeting invited sessions, co-sponsored sessions, and any special events your Section sponsored or in which it participated.

Session Type: Invited
Session: Fieldwork At the End of the Day. It consisted of six papers and one discussant. The attendance was good.

Session Type: Other
Session: We did not request a meeting registration wavier or community engagement grant.

Awards

List awards presented this year on behalf of your Section.
None
Meetings
Did your section request a meeting registration waiver or community engagement grant?
No

If granted, who/what was it/they used for?
not applicable

List spring meeting activities
Incomplete

Mentorship:
Mentorship efforts (at or beyond the AAA meetings) to any of the following (e.g., special activities, funding, awards, guidance/advising on professional matters, etc.)
Undergraduate and/or graduate students.
not applicable
Early career scholars.
not applicable
Independent scholars.
not applicable

Outreach:
Additional outreach efforts (at or beyond the AAA meetings) to other sections, interest groups, and scholarly societies, government agencies, public education/community engagement, and underrepresented minorities.
not applicable

Communications:
Status and use of Section internal communications such as a website, list serve, or newsletter (if applicable): Please list internal communication tools you use and what they are used for.
We continue to use list-serve for communications to all our members and Email to communicate with members of our Board, and individual members.

Our website is updated by our Secretary, and he continues to write our column in Anthropology News.

Governance:
Changes in bylaws or governance structure.
not applicable

Initiatives:
What Initiatives does your Section have underway or planned for the coming year: membership, publication annual meeting, mentorship, other?
As noted above we will try to increase our membership by being in touch with those individuals on the Distinguished Members list, all of whom are seniors and would be appropriate members for our Section.

We are also working on our Invited Session for the AAA 2015 meeting. We have had four sessions on First Fieldwork and Fieldwork at the end of the Day. We are working on putting the papers together in a volume to be published commercially.

Ask AAA:

Please tell us what your chief concerns and issues are, especially if they are not previously noted.

What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the Section Assembly Executive Committee (SAEC)? Please be specific.

For the Section Assembly Executive Committee: I think Section concerns are very well taken care of by this committee. They are quite responsive to the needs of large and small sections.

What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the AAA Executive Board? Please be specific.

Recommendations to the AAA Executive Board: The Board in its work on the budget of the AAA might reconsider the allocation of funds to publications. I have recently learned that $70 of our dues goes to publications, and that only two of its publications are financially sound. I would be interested to learn how other scholarly organizations deal with their publications. I recognize that our publications are one of the lifelines of our profession. Many scholarly publications are now digitized. I think that will change the cost of publication. It is an area which should certainly be investigated. The funds saved might be used to reduce the cost of the Annual Meeting for members of the ASA.

What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the AAA Staff? Please be specific.

Recommendations to the Staff: I greatly appreciate the help that I have received from every staff members with whom I have been in contact. They are a superb group. But one final suggestion: the submission of this annual report has become very complicated especially since it has to be submitted piecemeal. It would help all of us if the complete report could be sent at one time.