1) Accomplishments during the period covered.

Membership: After several years of declining membership, this year the number increased. As of November 2008, the membership is now at 598, up from the Nov 2006 low of 564. This may be similar to a general increase of membership among many of the Sections. A number of membership initiatives undertaken over the past few years appear to be taking effect. These include a discount on registration for NAPA-sponsored workshops at AAA annual meetings, a free trial issue of the journal, *The Applied Anthropologist*, access to the *Proceedings* of the EPIC conference via AnthroSource, and bi-monthly e-newsletters from the NAPA president. The Communications Committee has initiated efforts to develop a “New Members Welcome Packet” about NAPA and membership benefits, which will be distributed to each new and renewing member within two weeks of receiving a membership renewal and/or initial registration.

New Logo: A new NAPA Logo was selected through a student graphic design class competition at the City Design Center at the University of Illinois Chicago. Mary Odell Butler attended a meeting of this class in February 2007, to describe NAPA, our mission, the group of anthropologists that we serve and NAPA’s role as the organization within the AAA serving practicing anthropologists both outside of and within academia. Following this meeting, fifteen students in the class developed preliminary ideas for the NAPA logo and submitted them to NAPA for comment. Several members of the NAPA Governing Council reviewed these designs and submitted their comments to the designers. Members of the class then finalized their designs. NAPA members attended the final class meeting at which members of the class presented their designs. Designs of the four finalists were submitted to the NAPA Communications Committee, chaired by James Mullooly, for judging and selection of the winner. The NAPA Governing Council concurred to award the $50 prize to Matt Suhr. Matt and the new logo were publicly recognized at the Washington NAPA Business meeting.
NAPA continues to maintain a healthy operating reserve, though we have experienced a continued draw-down due to AnthroSource expenses. Our net assets are now at $88,486.80, as of November 30, 2007 (although this may include some reimbursements and costs not yet paid associated with the EPIC conference). The Third Annual EPIC conference was essentially revenue neutral. The NAPA budget for 2008 assumed a deficit based on further AnthroSource expenses that will now not be incurred, so we have every reason to anticipate a balanced budget, if not a small surplus.

**Annual Meeting Activities:** NAPA was active at the 2007 AAA annual meeting, sponsoring a large number of workshops and sessions for a total of 13 sessions, 17 workshops, and two poster sessions.

**Wednesday, November 28, 2007**
- Impacts and Equity: Applied Anthropology and Fisheries Management
- Private Interests and Public Policy: Research on the Frontiers of Privatization and Outsourcing
- Modern Reformers and the Politics of "Doing Good"
- With Comitas on Our Minds: Honoring the Life and Work (so far) of a Practicing Anthropologist
- Issues of Privilege and Responsibility in the Pedagogy and Practice of Anthropology

**Thursday, November 29, 2007**
- Workshop: Ethnographic Field Schools: Techniques and Tips
- Workshop: Just in Time Qualitative Inquiry: Exploring Techniques for Producing more Rapid (but not rushed) Results
- Workshop: Negotiation Skills
- Workshop: The Promise of DVD, DVD Production for Ethnographers and Researchers
- Workshop: Creating Practitioner Networks
- Workshop: Promoting Your Anthropology Background in 30 Seconds...IN PLAIN ENGLISH
- Consortium of Practicing and Applied Anthropology Programs (COPAA): Accomplishments and Future Aspirations
- Consultant's Network Open Forum Workshop: Collaborative Ethnography: Prospects and Problems

**Friday, November 30, 2007**
- Anthropology, Design, and Governmentality: Ethnographic Approaches to Civic Designing and the Tangibility of Governance
- Evaluation Anthropology Interest Group Business Meeting
- Community Participation and Justice (Poster Session)
- Developments in Anthropology and Diversity Consulting
- Workshop: Training Design
- Workshop: From Good to Great: Enhancing PowerPoint and Presentation Skills to Keep Your Audience Interested
- The Privatized Future of Anthropology

**Saturday, December 1, 2007**
- Innovative Approaches for Explaining and/or Influencing Organizational Culture Change: Theories and Methods
- Workshop: "Fieldwork Data Notebook:" A New Software Program for Writing and Managing Fieldnotes in a Digitized World
NAPA also held its annual business meeting on Saturday evening, followed by a cash bar.

**Employer Exposition and Welcome:** For the second year NAPA sponsored an Employers Exposition at the 2007 AAA meetings. A luncheon for participants was held, with sponsorship of the AAA. The Employers Expo is designed to provide a meeting place and forum for employers to meet and chat with anthropologists interested in employment outside of the academy. NAPA’s Organizational Relations committee, established as part of our strategic plan, is considering plans for the 2008 annual meetings. This year the Organizational Relations Committee was further formalized by the appointment of Cathleen Crain as chair.

NAPA hosted a luncheon for representatives from Local Practitioner Organizations at the AAA meetings, as part of its efforts to support these organizations and their local efforts. NAPA also made space available at its Annual Meeting exhibit booth for LPOs that wished to publicize their presence and activities.

**Spring meeting activities:** We held our spring board meeting in Tampa in conjunction with the 2007 SfAA meetings, where we held a student reception and staffed an exhibit booth.

**2008 Annual Meetings:** Kate Gillogly, NAPA Program Chair is working closely with Noel Chrisman, the Executive Chair of the 2008 Annual Meeting of the AAA in San Francisco. Noel visited with NAPA’s Governing Council while in Washington and we look forward to an AAA meeting that accommodates and interests a wide array of practicing anthropologists.

**EPIC Conference:** NAPA was a co-sponsor of the third EPIC (Ethnographic Praxis in Industry Conference), that drew 150 participants to Keystone, Colorado October 3-6. With a theme of “Being Heard,” this premier international forum brought together artists, computer scientists, designers, social scientists, marketers, academics and advertisers. Proceedings were published in printed form and will appear in AnthroSource as electronic downloadable files. We expect to continue to annually co-sponsor this innovative and successful conference. Revenue sharing arrangements with EPIC contribute to NAPA’s ability to maintain its fund balance.
**NAPA Interest Groups:** To build community among specific employment sectors NAPA is stimulating the development of new Interest Groups. The Governing Council approved a NAPA Interest Group Purpose Statement and two new interest groups: “Anthropology and Design,” and “Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science.” Both of these new interest groups create a professional home for these employment sectors, enhance NAPA’s support for the building of new applications of anthropology, and they increase membership.

Under the leadership of Interest Group Leader Elizabeth Tunstall, the mission of the Design & Anthropology Interest Group (D&A IG) is to increase the perceived value of the design and anthropological theories, methodologies, and artifacts to global business, government, and society. The group will develop cross-institutional collaborations with the professional design associations and “design” related divisions within the American Anthropological Association (ex. visual anthropology, contemporary archaeology, and museum studies) to amplify the message of Design & Anthropology’s value.

With Gelya Frank as Interest Group Leader, the Occupational Therapy and Occupational Science Interdisciplinary Interest Group’s mission is to develop awareness and provide institutional support for the professional opportunities emerging at the intersection of anthropology with occupational therapy and occupational science. The goals of the Interest Group are to promote dialogue and networking among anthropologists interested in occupational therapy and occupational science. Build linkages with the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), and other professional organizations of occupational therapists and occupational scientists nationally and internationally. Provide information and opportunities for anthropologists to gain professional education and credentials in occupational therapy at annual meetings. Advance the mutual contributions and enhance the development of the professions and disciplines through collaborative research, practice models, publications and curriculum development. Support the career development and professional opportunities for anthropologists in occupational therapy departments. To support the career development and professional opportunities for occupational therapists working in or with anthropology departments.

**Publications:** NAPA’s President appointed David Himmelgreen as a co-bulletin editor, to serve with Satish Kadia. Tim Wallace ended his term and is now serving in the capacity of Publications Committee Chair replacing the outgoing Ed Liebow.

NAPA Bulletin No. 28, (Marine fisheries) was published in September 2007, 166p.
NAPA 27, (1st award winning student papers issue) printed and distributed in March 2007, 241p.

Proceedings of the third EPIC conference were also published and distributed in hard copy in fall, 2007. Electronic versions are now being prepared for distribution in AnthroSource

NAPA continues to publish a column in the Anthropology News, and distributes a bi-monthly e-newsletter from the President, via email.
**Student Achievement Award:**
First place winners of this year’s Student Achievement award are coauthors Cynthia S. Hernandez and Alejandro Angee of Florida International University. Their paper was titled: "Seed of Justice: Community Action and Social Research Working Together to Combat Wage Theft in South Florida's Plant Nurseries."

Second place was presented to Emily Hogue for her paper titled: “El Agua Es Vida: Water, Power, and Neoliberalism in Southern Andean Peasant Communities." She is a doctoral student at Florida International University

In order to promote more paper submissions the deadline was changed from October to July 1, by the NAPA Governing Council at the November meeting. This correlates better with the end of the academic year and it gives more time for the student winners to plan their trip to the AAA meetings in November.

**Website:** NAPA maintains a website at practicinganthropology.org. In addition to a publicly searchable members directory, we offer employment advertisements, online access to searchable databases for internships and practical training experiences, a place to sign up to be matched with a mentor, links to Local Practitioner Organizations around the US, a way to order back issues of the *NAPA Bulletin* series and practicing anthropology in the news. Our content editor continues to refresh the site on a monthly basis.

In the eight months ending October 2007 there were 784,907 total hits from 18,426 unique IP addresses. The two leading pages were employment (95,948) and the NAPA Bulletin (28,637). The site also provides access to NAPA’s membership list and directory, with appropriate log-ins.

Our long term web developer and editor is retiring from this role. We are now searching for a company or companies that can fulfill these duties.

**LPO Support:** NAPA LPO coordinator Terry Redding completed his term. Rebecca Severson was appointed LPO Coordinator. She will be working with individuals interested in starting and maintaining LPOs in their areas.

**Ethics Committee:** The NAPA Ethics Committee was revitalized in order to respond to the many issues that confront professional anthropological researchers, practitioners, and general public. They will be reevaluating the AAA and NAPA ethics statements by working closely with the AAA Ethic committee. The committee may sponsor programs workshops and events at the annual meetings of the American Anthropological Association and meetings of other professional organizations and associations. Inga Treitlter was appointed chair following her term of office as NAPA Secretary in November 2007.

**Mentoring:** Kathi Kitner completed five years leading the Mentoring Committee. Tom Greaves, upon completing his term on the NAPA Governing Council is now leading the Mentoring program. During the 2007 annual meetings NAPA used its exhibit hall booth for “instant mentoring” activities.
NAPA Planning Initiative: The NAPA Strategic Plan was last updated about five years ago. Given the changing times and the vision of new leadership it is time to revisit and revise NAPA’s plans for the future. All NAPA members were invited to attend the planning session at the AAA meetings in November. Led by NAPA President-Elect Mary Butler, five themes were identified. A working group for each theme is now generating planning statements and objectives which will be reviewed at the March planning meeting in Memphis.

3) NAPA Contributions to AAA
NAPA leadership has been actively involved in the AAA Nominations and Elections Committee, the Practicing Anthropology Work Group. In 2007, NAPA supported more than a dozen candidates who volunteered to stand for nomination for AAA board and committee seats.

PAWG: The AAA Executive Board at their May meeting, considered the establishment of a standing committee on practicing and applied anthropology. This recommendation comes after two years of work by PAWG, the Practicing Advisory Working Group. The PAWG Final Report had been posted on the AAA main web page since November. Linda Bennett, Chair of PAWG and Kathleen Terry-Sharp, AAA staff member, met with the NAPA Governing Council in Tampa to discuss our interests and concerns. A statement of interest was developed by the NAPA Governing Council and forwarded to President Goodman. The Governing Council members were overall supportive of this new AAA committee, but cautioned that its activities should not be redundant of activities and services that NAPA has performed for decades. To promote communication and representation it was recommended that a NAPA representative serve on the committee.

Human Terrain Systems: NAPA developed a position statement submitted to President Allen Goodman and the AAA Executive Board expressing an opinion on the question of the Human Terrain Systems (HTS) program developed by the United States Military and covered in the October 5, front page NYT article “Army Enlists Anthropology in War Zones.” Among the many perspectives expressed it was the opinion of the NAPA Governing Council that there was not adequate information at that stage to evaluate whether or not the HTS is in violation of the ethical standards of the AAA Code of Ethics or the NAPA Ethics Guidelines.

4) Elected Section Officers for 2007
- Dennis Wiedman (President 2006-2008)
- Madelyn (Micki) Iris (Past President 2006 – 2008)
- Mary Butler-Odell (President-Elect 2006-2008)
- Mark Curchack (Treasurer 2006 - 2008)
- Christine Miller (Secretary 2007-2009)
- Kendall Thu (Member at Large, 2007-2009)
- Laurie Price (Member at Large, 2007- 2009)
- Ken Anderson (Member at Large, 2006-2008)
- Tracy Tessman (Student Member 2006 - 2008)

---------------------------------------------