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      on the web?
      have winners write a column in AN?
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C. New business

1. Nominations committee
2. Committee memberships for the coming year
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   Don Nonini, chair of sub-committee
4. SUNTA listserv name
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   Any other issues?
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   Labor issues on meeting places and hotels
   Thoughts for next interlocutor session
   Timing for board and business meetings
   Reception again?
   CORI, Poverty Working Group, Space and Place

8. New initiatives?

Adjournment
Minutes of SUNTA board meeting
Thursday, November 20, 2008
Minutes taken by a combination of Susan G, Jeff M, and Lisa K.

Present: David Haines (outgoing president), Deborah Pellow (incoming president), Don Nonini (president elect), Robert Rotenberg, Anne Lewinson (treasurer), Gautam Ghosh, Lisa Maya Knauer, Jeff Maskovsky, Susan Greenbaum, Ana O’Leary (CORI chair).

A. Reports

1. President: to be sent

2. Program: Deborah, Lisa and Gautam reviewed submissions. This is included in board book. We had 6 co-invited sessions, including the interlocutor session with David Bacon which SAW co-sponsored. There were 61 papers (6 rejected) and only 4 posters. However, many of the panels we approved were not scheduled: only the A or A- panels were scheduled.

3. Treasurer:
   We are in very good shape. We have approximately $76,000 in our fund balance. We don’t have to pay for the journal with the new contract with Wiley-Blackwell and the membership numbers are pretty good. So our dues revenue should give us a solid base. Expenses will not exceed $6,000 [note: expenses for what??]. We might be able to reduce dues which we had promised to membership when we raised them. Don notes that there are 702 members down from a high of 754 some years back. Urbanth-L draws high praise; Susan Greenbaum says Angela is terrific.

4. Secretary:
   Jayne is not here. Deborah wanted it noted that she was present at the previous meeting. Secretary’s report (including amended minutes) approved.

5. City and society:
   Petra is doing a special issue for the 20th anniversary. She asked all the former editors to write pieces (some did) and she asked everyone who was in the first issue to contribute something reflecting upon their work. We have a 27% acceptance rate which is good for us but not so good for people who submit. 2 guest-edited issues have been submitted with 8 articles each.

6. Urbanth-L:
   The list serve has a good subscription base and is well-regarded.

7. Web:
   Updating is occurring. Some discussion about list versus website: list is for news, website is for presentation.

8. Leeds prize:
   In board book.

9. Grad prize:
   In board book. Gautam has some ideas about how to increase submissions. He looked up anthropology departments across the country and sent them the announcement and asked them to send it to their departmental list serve.

10. Undergraduate prize:
11. Student travel award:
   We are funding one panel with awards of $200 per participant. We should highlight this in the AN column
12. Teaching workshop:
   Bob did the teaching workshop for the third year in a row. He reported that 16 people signed up in advance and 5 came; 6 non-registered people came for a total of 11 people. He likes doing the workshop but would be happy to have others take it on.
13. CORI:
   Anna Ochoa O’Leary is chairing this year. She is trying to build it up through the list serve. But we need to do more to reach interested scholars. We need to update the CORI entries on the SUNTA web page.
15. Space and place:
   It has been meeting since 1987 [actually since 1986 according to Deborah Pellow]. It meets every year. This year Saturday night from 6-7:30 p.m. In recent years there have been about 20 people. Space and place is a networking work group. It has been successful in supporting scholars with similar interests.

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Anthrosource: they are not charging us any more. We should create an ad hoc group within SUNTA to monitor the situation going forward.
2. Alternate spring conference: Not this year. SANA is rethinking its purpose; they want to have a conversation rather than papers. The board had a retreat and wants to break the mold. It may do a conference in 2010 with AES. Maybe SUNTA could partner also.
3. Awards:
   **Motion**: To increase student panel travel award to $250. PASSED unanimously.
   We also discussed raising graduate and undergraduate paper prize amounts.

   Repeat awards: We discussed whether to limit the number of times a person can receive the Leeds award.
   **Motion**: A Leeds award recipient will be eligible 5 years after receiving the award.
   PASSED unanimously.
   **Motion**: An individual may only receive the Leeds award twice in his or her lifetime.
   PASSED by a vote of 6 to 3.

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Nominations:
   There are 2 names for student councilor, 4 names for the 2 councilor positions. Jayne will continue as secretary.

2. Committee memberships:
   See board book email.

3. C&S
Petra raised several issues for discussion.

A. The possibility of publishing 3 times a year instead of 2 (with no increase in the number of pages). This would help with our ranking and the number of hits we receive on AnthroSource.

B. Interlocutor project (publishing papers and responses from the interlocutor panel): Petra asks if we actually want to continue this. It means one article and four responses. It’s a hard format to work with and we do not get a lot of hits. There is only symbolic peer review of this.

C. Book reviews: Book reviews count for hits. Do we want to do book reviews? We have a lot of books that come in (plus books from Leeds nominations). We would need a book review editor.

D. Editorial board: What is its function? How do people get on, and how long do they stay on? How do they get off the board? The journal does not carry any information on them (affiliation, contact information). It would be nice to have a group of people who could be available for consultation and who could review articles. Petra said she would like to have the previous editors on the editorial board. It was suggested that this is Petra’s prerogative.

4. Planning for business meeting: No changes in agenda.

5. Section assembly: It will meet tomorrow and Deborah will report briefly at business meeting.

6. 2009 in Philadelphia
   - Next interlocutor session
   - Board and business meeting: same scheduling
   - Reception again: with SANA? Deborah will work on this. Don has made overtures to CASCA. AES has been difficult to work with.\ 
   - CORI, Space and place, Poverty Working Group: They are labeled as SUNTA. Same meeting times.

7. 2010 in New Orleans
   We discussed this at some length. AAA voted to have meeting in New Orleans even though the main venue is not unionized and this is in violation of AAA guidelines. We agreed to coordinate with SAW. SAW has said they will try to take some events to union venues and have people stay at union hotels. The question of how New Orleans can be helped is a complicated one. This will probably come up at the Section Assembly. There was some discussion about whether there should be a statement at the Section Assembly to affirm that in planning for New Orleans we keep the guidelines in mind. We also need to find out what the position of the AAA Labor Relations Committee is on this.
   Deborah noted that David Bacon, our interlocutor, is an expert on this.
   This will be raised at business meeting tomorrow; maybe we can be more proactive.

8. Dues reduction:
   We propose reducing dues to $28. There is no quorum so we cannot vote on this now but will do so by email. This should be announced in the AN column.
   Don proposed that we think about setting up an endowment with some of the money we have in our account. This can be done with as little as $5,000. Or we can set up a publication and
operation reserve. [NOTE from LK: Could Don please explain what the difference is between an endowment and a publication and operation reserve?]

9. New initiatives:
Don proposed a green initiative: we can think of green policies [NOTE from LK: Can we be a bit more precise about this?]

Move to adjourn the meeting at 8:00.
SUNTA 2009
President’s Report
Submitted by Deborah Pellow

As detailed in the individual reports, SUNTA continued to be active this year. While I am letting all of the reports speak for themselves, let me just emphasize the participation on the listserv, interest in having us review papers for the annual meeting, interest of students and terrific student papers, large number of submissions for invited status (considering we are allotted two plus the Interlocutor) and robust membership numbers. Our support of the teaching enterprise led us to again accept Bob Rotenberg’s gracious offer to run a workshop at the Philadelphia meetings on teaching the city.

As our Program Chair Don Nonini details in his report, 15 out of 15 “A” panels submitted were accepted and 9 out of 9 "B" panels. Unfortunately only 2 out of 10 of our "C" panels made it onto the program. While we are allotted only 2 invited session plus the Interlocutor, after wheeling and dealing, Don got us co-sponsorship of 6 panels or roundtables, in addition to the Interlocutor.

Debra Rodman and Erick Castellanos helped me to identify candidates (3) for the Councilor position. For the position of Student Councilor, we had only one candidate.

Email continues to work for decision-making among the board members. In addition to the usual votes – on Leeds and other prizes – we had several good “discussions”, including scheduling of Board and Business meetings and the issue of telemarketers. The former was instigated by the AAA Executive’s blackout of the 6:15-7:30 pm time slot on both Thursday and Saturday – Thursday for the AAA’s Business Meeting, Saturday for the Presidential Lecture. After Susan Greenbaum brought to our notice the issue of telemarketers calling to raise money for the Association, and our email discussion, I communicated to the Section Assembly members our concerns.

The Executive Board wrote to Presidents, Treasurers and Editors about the launching of a new host platform for AnthroSource.

In the coming months, AnthroSource's host platform, Wiley InterScience, will change. Wiley-Blackwell is rebuilding their online content delivery platform and anticipates the launch later this year. Although AAA's online electronic files will move from one platform to another, the AnthroSource user interface and navigation will not change. This means that the way you login and access AnthroSource, as well as the design and the placement of various links will not change. The platform change will not impact members' ability to access full-text AnthroSource content.

Where AAA members will notice a change is in the full-text interface and the interface for accessing advanced features such as E TOC alerts and citation management. This means that when you click either the "PDF" or "More Information on this Article" link
from an AnthroSource abstract page, the Wiley InterScience page that opens will appear in a new format.

More updates, including the specific timeframe, visual aides and features of the new host platform are forthcoming. AAA and Wiley-Blackwell are very excited about this project and the future of AnthroSource as a cross-disciplinary resource for anthropological publications. Please feel free to forward this message to your respective section listservs.

Contact Dion Dears at ddears@aaanet.org with questions or comments.

For more AnthroSource information, please see:
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Lem Purcell has done a great job managing our website, as a volunteer, for years. Our needs have changed and his time is far more limited, so I created a committee – composed of Don, Angela and Jayne, with Don as the chair – to look into possibilities for rethinking the SUNTA website, what is put on the web, who should oversee it and how to manage this more and more important resource.

SUNTA welcomes two new officers this year: Faedah Totah as Councilor and Fethi Keles as Student Councilor. We bid adieu to Lisa Maya Knauer, who has ably served as Councilor.
SUNTA 2009  
Program Committee Report  
Submitted by Don Nonini

1. Interlocutor session

Don Nonini organized this year’s interlocutor session, *Community Food Security, Social Justice and Sustainability in the City*, featuring Joel Berg, Executive Director of the New York City Coalition Against Hunger, and author of *All You Can Eat: How Hungry is America?* (Seven Stories 2006). He served for eight years in senior executive positions in the U.S. Department of Agriculture in the Clinton administration, including two years as the USDA's first Community Coordinator of Community Food Security. The discussants are Lisa Markowitz (University of Louisville), Charles Price (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill), Alice Brooke Wilson (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill) and David Himmelgreen (University of South Florida). This session will help set out the enormous issues at stake around community food security in US cities during a period of increasingly grave economic and social crisis.

2. Invited sessions

Following our established practice, we set the date of March 1 for submissions of panels seeking invited status. This was originally done to establish a common framework with other sections to make co-sponsorship easier.

SUNTA was allowed two invited panels, plus the Interlocutor panel. We received 14 formal submissions for SUNTA invited status. These were reviewed by the program committee (Nonini, Ghosh and Maskovsky) and based on combined scores we ranked the submissions. After that we negotiated (or tried to negotiate) with other sections over co-sponsorship, bargaining over halves of sessions. We ended up being able to co-sponsor six panels or roundtables: in addition to the Interlocutor panel, there is: Isenhour/McDonogh, *Sustainability as Myth & Practice in the Global City*, co-sponsored by Anthropology & Environment Section; Schiller/Caglar, *Locating Migration: Rescaling Migrants and Cities*, co-sponsored by AES; Huggins/Brian, *Power, Politics and Inequality in Urban and Regional Economies: A Festschrift in Honor of Judith Goode*; Hyatt, *Grassroots Activism and Fiscal Crisis: A Celebration of Metropolitan Avenue and Norman Street*, co-sponsored by SANA; Vine/Bickford *War and Counter-Counterinsurgency: Demilitarizing Anthropology and U.S. Society*, co-sponsored by AES; and Ture, *Urban Anthropology, Scholarship, Social Justice and Brett Williams*.

Issue: As was true in past years, negotiating with other sections is not only time-consuming but hair-raising: some program editors in other sections keep their word; others never get back with you; others wait until the very last day or hour before beginning to acknowledge your existence.

3. Individually volunteered papers and posters

36 papers and 4 posters were submitted for review, which was done in two passes, first by the program committee chair (Nonini), and then by the program committee (Nonini, Ghosh and Maskovsky). We rejected 6 volunteered papers and gave a C ranking to 12.
4. **Sessions, volunteered and constructed**

There were 28 volunteered panels submitted for SUNTA review. In addition, the Program Committee chair constructed 7 panels out of the individually volunteered papers, for a total of 35 panels under review. The Program Committee reviewed and scored all of these. Three of the constructed panels and 13 of the volunteered panels received an A. The latter included the 6 invited panels.

The number of volunteered panels and volunteered papers show a decline in submissions from last year:

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We suspect that this decline has to do with the difference in meeting venue: San Francisco in 2008 and Philadelphia, given San Francisco's great popularity as a city among AAA members for conferencing and sight-seeing. Nonetheless, the year-to-year changes bear watching. Since the number of submissions of volunteered panels and papers indexes registration and attendance, it is worth posing the question: Is the Annual Meeting becoming too expensive for too many AAA and SUNTA members to attend?

5. **Special events: Workshop - Designing and Teaching SUNTA-Based Introductory Courses**

At the 2006 meeting in San Jose, Bob Rotenberg organized a SUNTA-sponsored teaching workshop that provided a forum to discuss successes and concerns that SUNTA members experience and to work together to develop stronger classroom presences for our approach to anthropology. He had 10 participants and following the meeting, received many emails suggesting that it was worthwhile, so he has organized the workshop three times more, including 2009. Bob has graciously refused to accept any money and all proceeds go to SUNTA.

6. **AAA review and ratings**

The AAA accepted 28 out of the 35 panels we reviewed; among those accepted include the 6 invited or co-invited sessions.

7. **Scheduling**

As part of our review, we suggested days and times to spread the SUNTA panels over the course of the meeting. Our suggestions were sort of followed, but with panels scattered through the five days: 10 on Wednesday, 3 on Thursday, 6 on Friday, 5 on Saturday, 5 on Sunday. More SUNTA panels were scheduled on Wednesday and Sunday than we asked for: SUNTA suggested scheduling only 3 on Wednesday, and only 3 on Sunday.

8. **Comments on the review process**
The review process went smoothly, especially because the Program Committee worked very well together. All of the sections had problems with AAA’s office, webmaster and so on. But in the end, it all worked out. AAA’s computerized submission process is neither simple nor the most intuitive. The Program Editor discovered a major previously unacknowledged bug in the AAA website's software for entering of Program Committee rankings for panel and paper rankings: one has to use Internet Explorer as the browser during the entry process or otherwise (e.g., if you use Mozilla Firefox), the software will not accept the rankings entered – but won't inform you either that it hasn't accepted or inputted your rankings! This major bug was reported to the AAA meeting planner, but whether the bug will be resolved by the 2010 program panel review period is unclear.

It would be helpful if all of the sections had the same due date to be considered for invited status. There are still sections whose Program Editors think it’s useful to wait until all of the panels have come in to make the decision. We disagree.

Attachments:

SUNTA procedures.
List of sessions. These were circulated on the listserv and are posted on the SUNTA web pages.
SUNTA Procedures for Paper and Panel Reviews
(2009 – Don Nonini, Program Committee Chair)

1. **Program committee.** SUNTA paper and panel reviews are committee based. As specified in the SUNTA bylaws, the chair of the program committee is the SUNTA president-elect. The two other committee members are one of the councilors (usually the councilor in the second year of a three-year term) and one other member of the executive board on a volunteer basis. This year, that second person was also one of the councilors.

2. **Invited sessions.** Review of proposals for invited sessions occurred before the regular AAA submission date. The date was set for March 1 and announced to the membership in January. That date reflected an original consensus among section program chairs who met at the 2004 AAA meeting in Atlanta. SUNTA also organizes an annual interlocutor session (AAA roundtable format). That session is counted as one of the invited sessions but is more actively approved (and sometimes developed) by the full executive board. In the case of session proposals which were rejected by SUNTA for invited status but were still deemed worthy by the committee, the SUNTA program committee chair worked with session organizers to encourage resubmission as volunteered sessions, or for submission to other sections.

3. **Preliminary review.** In 2009, the committee chair conducted the preliminary review of submitted sessions and papers, particularly to ensure that all had been appropriately submitted to SUNTA. The committee chair also engaged in some informal discussion with session organizers, including prior non-binding review of draft materials.

4. **Organization of panels.** Due to time constraints on the program committee, the program committee chair first reviewed all 36 volunteered paper and 4 poster proposals, and organized them into 7 thematically similar panels. These 7 organized panels were then sent, along with the 28 volunteered panel proposals, on to the other two members of the program committee.

5. **Panel Review.** The complete set of 35 panel proposals was then independently reviewed and rated by members of the program committee. After committee members returned their ratings, along with comments on specific panels, the committee chair aggregated committee members' ratings into a ranking assigned to each panel. In 2009, SUNTA again used a quantitative dual rating system (1-low to 10-high for technical merit and 1-low to 10-high for relevance to SUNTA concerns and to the AAA theme). Individual panel aggregated ratings were compiled by the committee chair, rank-ordered, and then divided into “A”, “B”, “C” and "D" ratings. Within each lettered grade (of "A," "B", etc. panels), panels were further ranked by the aggregate ratings and, in the case of near or equal ratings, there was further consultation among committee members as to how panels should be ranked. There were 15 "A" panels, 9 "B" panels, and 2 "C" panels. This year, there was one "D"-ranked panel consisting of 6 volunteered papers, but no rejections.

The work of the program committee chair does not end on April 1. During the summer, after some volunteered panels were rejected by the AAA program committee, in two cases their organizers wrote to the SUNTA program committee chair and asked for the reasons for rejection, and the chair was able to review their proposals and suggest improvements for the future.
6. **Scheduling.** The committee chair then developed a recommended schedule for all the SUNTA sessions and forwarded this schedule to the AAA Program Committee. This entailed a dual track using the equivalent of two medium-sized rooms (plus ballroom salon where needed) from the beginning of the meeting on Wednesday afternoon to its conclusion at noon on Sunday (i.e., 3 recommended time slots on Wednesday, 9 on Thursday, 6 each on Friday and Saturday, and 3 on Sunday). After the preliminary AAA program was circulated to program committee chairs in August (but before it went public), the committee chair negotiated with the AAA meeting planner to make sure that one SUNTA co-sponsored invited panel did not coincide with another SUNTA session, and also tried to intervene (with a bit but not much success) with the AAA to have SUNTA panels with similar themes not overlap in time on the program. This is an important time for the program committee chair to be in contact with the AAA meeting planner and AAA program committee.
This report summarizes SUNTA’s total revenue and expenditures for 2009 and discusses our outlook for 2010. As of September 30 (latest report available), SUNTA’s dues revenues were $12,883.50 out of an expected dues total of $17,954.00. The section’s annual royalty for the journal, with provisions for distributing any surplus revenues between Wiley, the section, and the AAA, was expected to be $6,744.00, however it has come in substantially higher. Our total revenue so far this year is $23,250.46. In terms of expenses, nearly all our expenditures are for annual meeting activities. Those expenditures include our prizes (Leeds, Graduate Student Paper, and the Undergraduate Student Paper), the Interlocutor series honorarium, travel expenses, the reception, and sponsorship of a student panel. We anticipate SUNTA’s expenditures to total no more than $6,000 for 2009.

The fund balance as of September 30 was $100,090.92, having risen from $76,840.46 at the beginning of the year. In terms of financial projections for 2010, the royalty for 2010 is expected to be slightly lower than this year ($5,445.00). SUNTA has had a small-but-consistent drop in dues revenue over the past few years, and that trend is expected to continue, with projected dues revenue of $15,980.00 next year. Given our large fund balance and solid membership numbers, however, neither projection is a source of alarm. As anticipated, the reduction of our dues rate has not harmed our financial situation.

As a whole, our section’s financial health is good and we should continue to expand our current activities or explore new ones so as to support the efforts of students and scholars whose work touches on areas significant to our section.
SUNTA 2009
Secretary’s Report
Submitted by Jayne Howell

My thanks to Board Members who filled in with taking minutes during my unavoidable absence from the last AAA Meeting, and to Society for the Anthropology of Europe Secretary Deborah Altarmirano for taking minutes at last year’s SUNTA Business Meeting.

SUNTA Column in Anthropology News

SUNTA shares the column with CORI, and since November 2008 we have submitted ten columns to Anthropology News. (AN is on hiatus in the summer months.) CORI Correspondent Jason Pribilsky has done a great job of trying to recruit submissions from CORI to supplement those I solicit from the SUNTA Board and membership.

Each column was approximately 750 words, and collectively included a wide range of information, including

- information on the meetings and reports from the President and President-Elect, and CORI officers
- announcements of Leeds Prize, Undergraduate and Graduate Student Paper Prize deadlines and information for winners;
- short research reports, including
  - food choices among Latino immigrants in NYC,
  - an update on conditions in Oaxaca 2 years after the social movement
  - an overview of ways the economic crisis is affecting US-bound migration; and
  - a discussion of Central American migrants’ train journey across Mexico (within the context of popular film)

Deadlines for submitting the columns to the AAA are the 15th of every month from August through May. Because these must be edited and formatted for AAA style, the final copy should be to the column editor by the 12th.

Much as Elzbieta Gozdziak wrote in her December 2007 report as out-going secretary, it remains a challenge to get submissions from a wide range of the SUNTA membership. Our monthly statement in the column and messages sent out to the listserv, and our requests for submissions at meetings, do not bring in as many columns as we need to fill the entire year. This means that at least a few times we have to contact people in our social networks to request they contribute to the column or help us find someone who can. A column. This has precluded mapping out a publication schedule that covers more than 2-3 months.

Dinah Winnick at AN continues to be of tremendous help with the column.

Future directions: Jason Pribilsky – the CORI correspondent and I – have discussed that we’d like to see more range in the column, including book and movie reviews, and possibly...
perspectives on timely news items such as natural disasters affect urban populations or spur migration, legislative debates, or other topics members would like to suggest.

**Recommendations:**
Mapping out a longer-term publication schedule requires trying new ways of recruiting submissions, including:

1. Place a permanent statement on the SUNTA Website that requests submissions (with the submission deadlines noted), with links to both the CORI correspondent and SUNTA Secretary;
2. Create a link from the Website – possibly in the “News” section – to the AN Column.
3. Make at least two announcements annually by listserv requesting submissions;
4. Ask SUNTA Graduate and Undergraduate Student Prize winners to contribute essays to the column in addition to announcing their names and titles of winning essays.
5. Asking SUNTA Board members to contribute columns about their own research, or recommend students and colleagues working on appropriate topics who might submit a column for us.
SUNTA 2009 City & Society
Journal Editor Annual Report (November 2008-October 2009)
Submitted by Petra Kuppinger

Issue 21(1), was published in June 2008. It included the AAA 2008 Interlocutor session (“Hotel Workers Get It Right” with David Bacon). It includes the 2008 Antony Leeds Prize acknowledgement, the 2007 SUNTA Graduate Student Prize essay, and four independent articles. Issue 21(2) is currently in press. It contains a guest edited issue (“Street Life” edited by Joshua Barker), one report from the field, and one independent article.

As I noted in last year’s report, we received a large number of guest edited submissions in the course of the last year. It turned out that between summer of 2008 and spring 2009 we received three guest edited issues with eight manuscripts each and three, and two with three and four manuscript respectively. While processing all of these manuscripts (in addition to the independent manuscripts and the interlocutor session) was one challenge, the other now is publishing some of these manuscripts (in none of these guest edited issues – so far – all manuscripts made it through the review process). Our unwritten policy is to alternate guest edited and “regular” issues. In order for the accepted papers of the guest edited issues to be published in a half way timely fashion, I will break this rule and string together guest-edited issues. I will, however, make sure to always put in a number of independent papers. Having such a large number of submissions in such a short time, I realized only later that I was not fast enough in decreasing the acceptance rate which now makes for a wait for a few accepted articles, as I currently have too many accepted manuscripts. I am in the process of adjusting the rejection rate. While this is generally a good problem to have, it is at times hard to reject quite solid manuscripts.
Numbers and Figures

1. Total number of pages printed
Volume 21(1) contained 154 pages. Volume 21(2) will contain about XX pages (in press, we are in the process of cutting the issue, as it was too long).

2. Total number of issues printed
Two.

3. Publication time lines (summary of how close issues appear relative to their cover date)
21(1) on time, 21(2) will be in on time.

4. Total number of manuscripts received
37

5. Total number of manuscripts accepted
(excluding the interlocutor papers, which were not peer-reviewed)
12
(Acceptance rate about 32%).

6. Total number of manuscripts rejected
10

7. Total number of manuscripts at various stages of the review process
35
(Several manuscripts are ready for publications. There is a currently a wait for publication as I am still working to process the large number of last year’s submissions).

8. Plans for 2009
Issue 22(1) is largely in place (except, of course, the interlocutor session). There will be four papers of a guest edited issue submitted just months before her untimely death by Rhoda Halperin and a number of younger scholars. This was a hard issue to process as Rhoda died in the middle of the review process. With the help of one of the contributors, we decided to go ahead and publish this as a special tribute to Rhoda. I will edit/prepare her paper for publication. There will be three other papers. The rest of the issue is reserved for the interlocutor session. For issue 22(2) I plan to either publish another guest edited issue or only independent papers. This depends in large part on the spring issue (whether there will be room for independent papers at all in the spring).
The SUNTA listserv currently has exactly 2,400 subscribers. During the past several years we have been gaining about 250 new subscribers per year. I recently transferred Urbanth-L onto the AAA server. To post a message to the new listserv, you will need to send it to the following email: urbanth-l@binhost.net. Our archives for the new listserv have not been activated yet, but I have been assured that this will be corrected soon (and that they will be retroactive). The acronym [SUNTA] has now been added to the subject line of every outgoing message. Lisa Myers <lmyers@aaanet.org> from the AAA staff is now available to help us with any technical problems that we might have with the list and she is also willing to serve as a temporary moderator in the case of an emergency.

The AAA homepage’s listserv resources page has been updated with the new listserv link. However, our own SUNTA homepage needs to be updated with the new listserv url. I’ve sent the new link to Lem. This should be done soon because the old listserv hasn’t yet been taken off-line, and it’s still possible for people to accidentally subscribe to the old list.

Everything has been set up to conduct a survey of listserv members, which I had planned to conduct about six weeks prior to the meetings. These plans were delayed when the old server went down, so I decided to wait until the winter break.

Ben Vergara has expressed an interest in stepping down as Urbanth-L’s back up moderator. If we are going to recruit a second individual to do website maintenance, so we might use this opportunity to also recruit a new back-up moderator or co-moderator for the Urbanth-L listserv.
For the 2009 Prize, the committee received 30 submissions, 25 of which fit the criteria for the prize. These books were sent to the committee to review. The committee was comprised of Joao Biehl (Princeton), Steven Gregory (Columbia), and Xiang Biao (Cambridge). The committee selected Rumba Rules (Duke), by Bob W. White (Montreal) for the 2009 prize. The committee also awarded honors to two additional books: "Insurgent Citizenship" (Princeton) by James Holston (UC/Berkeley) and "Transforming Cape Town" (California) by Catherine Besteman (Colby).

The citations for these books is as follows:
The Leeds Prize Committee awarded this year’s prize to “Rumba Rules: The Politics of Dance Music in Mobuto's Zaire (Duke University Press) by Bob W. White (U Montreal). The committee cited the book as follows: The book sheds new light on the political life—both macro and micro—in Zaire (Democratic Republic of Congo) through intimate ethnographical analysis of the music scene in the country over a period of dramatic social change. The book provides the reader with a vivid sense of how politicians seek legitimacy, how musicians struggle for fame, and how ordinary people articulate fear of abandonment and look for meaning, and most importantly, how all these are deeply intertwined. Sharply written and jargon free, the book reveals the author’s deep understanding of the nuanced negotiations on the ground over security and social mobility the local society and people’s desire “to be part of the show.” His ethnographic and interpretive agility makes the book highly readable and insightful. The author also consciously places the study in a historical and regional context and in dialogue with critical studies of popular culture, a movement that makes the book highly valuable for African studies in general and for our understanding of the life cycles and affective dimensions of contemporary political cultures. As such the book powerfully demonstrates what ethnography can do in revealing complex relations between arts, violence, people and institutions of power.

"Insurgent Citizenship" takes a position on the urban periphery and asks what it means to be a citizen in a state that historically parcels out civil rights in different measures to different groups. Yet, the analysis stands for modern citizenship as a political token. This historically informed and ethnographically rich account of how the marginalized residents of Sao Paulo win some and lose some is a political chess game whose pieces are legal and organizational frameworks of the Brazilian state. This work is destined to be a classic of urban anthropology.

"Transforming Cape Town" asks a very important and difficult question: Why democracy has not brought a better society in the case of South Africa? It vividly documents what has changed and what has not after the end of apartheid, particularly in the city life in Cape Town. The strong analysis makes a compelling argument for the value of anthropological insights in policy discussions.
The authors received their prizes on December 4th at the SUNTA business meeting in Philadelphia. Bob White accepted the additional responsibilities of serving on the committee for three years and submitting his acceptance remarks for the prize to City and Society.
SUNTA 2009 Graduate Student Prize Report
Submitted by Jeff Maskovsky, Chair

The winner of this year's prize is Nikhil Anand (Stanford University) for his paper, "Leaky States: The Politechnics of Urban Water Supply in Mumbai." The prize committee selected this paper for the timeliness of the topic and themes discussed, and for its theoretical subtlety and ethnographic originality.

We also gave an honorable mention to Theodore Powers (CUNY) for this paper, "The State is Dead, Long Live the State: AIDS, Transnational Governance and the Transformation of the South African State."

In total the prize committee reviewed eight papers from six institutions. Topically, they covered a broad range of themes, from unemployment in post-socialist Skopje, Macedonia, to the transnational politics of American folk dancing, from the protest repertoires of US public housing residents to gender and informality in urban Honduras. We first ranked all of the proposals based on theoretical sophistication and the quality of the ethnographic evidence presented. Since we all agreed on the top three or four papers, we then deliberated to select a winner. Because the runner up paper was deemed to be strong by all of the committee members, we elected to award an honorable mention. The prize committee members were Lisa Maya Knauer, Petra Kuppinger and myself. Note that I abstained from ranking the Powers article (as well as two other articles by CUNY students) to avoid a conflict of interest.

All in all, the process went smoothly. We had no need to extend the prize deadline, were pleased by the overall quality and quantity of the papers submitted, and completed our deliberations in a timely manner.
SUNTA 2009 Undergraduate Paper Prize
Submitted by Gautam Ghosh, chair

The committee for the 2009 undergrad student paper prize included Molly Hurley Depret and Gautam Ghosh (Chair).

Announcements for the prize competition were distributed through several list-serves including of course URBANTH-L, but other more “international” listserves as well, i.e., those which tend to have an “audience” outside of the U.S. with the intention of drawing in applicants from abroad. The competition was also announced in the SUNTA column in the Anthropology News. The initial deadline for the prize was extended till October 31st. Even so there were only seven (7) submissions. From the submissions the chair, Gautam Ghosh, made a 'short-list' and the merits of the 'short-listed' papers were considered by the committee.

The prize committee decided to present the prize to two papers, i.e, as co-award winners:


2) Hannah McELGUNN, "The Immortal Oscar Wilde: A Study of the Memorial as the Epicenter of Myth." Nominated by Professor Michael Silverstein, University of Chicago.

Hannah McElgun has confirmed she will NOT be in attendance at the award presentation. I do not have word of if her nominee, Professor Michael Silverstein, will attend the award ceremony. In any case I would assume, in this instance, the prize money would be mailed to Ms. McElgun.

Professor Joelle Bahloul has communicated that both she and Colt Michaels will be in attendance at the AAA for the prize announcement. The check can be presented to the winner there accordingly, I presume.

Here are four notes that may prove helpful in the future:

(1) Thanks to the timely intervention of Anne Lewinson, and subsequent support by Deborah Pellow, it was decided that each winner would receive the full prize amount ($150) rather than the splitting the amount (which would have given each $75). Whether this serves as a precedent for the future remains open.

(2) There was some discussion within the executive committee as to eligibility for competition, namely, could only the work of current undergrads be considered, or is it sufficient if they were undergrads when the paper was written? If the latter, what if any limitations should there be, and how
would it be verified that the work was completed while an undergraduate? Ultimately I decided that the rule would be that as long as the paper was written while an undergrad AND the person was either an undergrad or had graduated within the calendar year, the work would be acceptable. By "calendar year" I mean someone who had graduated within 2009 would be eligible for the 2009 competition -- along with, of course, any 'on-going' undergrads. I can provide the rationale for my conclusion if it is desired. Future prize committee chairs may wish to revisit this issue and revise the rule. Much of the discussion in this regard remains archived, I presume, in the email exchanges among the committee. Whatever the rule is next time around it should, in my view, be included in the prize competition announcement.

(3) I believe the length restriction on the paper is a hindrance: allowing for longer papers would increase submissions.

(4) As the deadline approached there was some concern from potential applicants/competitors that some affiliation was needed with SUNTA. There is no such requirement and this point needs, it would seem, significant reiteration.

(5) Unlike the grad student paper prize (which I chaired last year) the undergrad prize announcement does not underscore the importance of ethnography in the entries. As it happens, and in my view, both of the winning papers for 2009 have ethnographic components -- though this could spark a debate about what counts as ethnography and, more important, good ethnography. In any case, the place of ethnography in entries might be an issue for the undergrad prize committee to give greater attention to, including in the wording of the prize competition announcement.

Finally, my personal thanks to, Molly Hurley Depret for her contributions throughout the process.
1. Annual Meeting 2008:

At the 2008 meeting at the annual meeting of the AAA in San Francisco, 14 CORI members attended. In her report, CORI chair Anna O’Leary (UA) briefly described CORI’s mission and gave a brief overview of last year’s meeting and goals for the year. The first goal had been to create a listserv to keep members networked. In terms of the 2nd goal, to highlighting the work of CORI members through proposals for invited panels in 2009, due to the way that panel submissions are received electronically, there seemed to be no way to designate a panel as one that is developed by CORI. For the upcoming year, a way to include “CORI” in the title of the panel to make these easy to identify would be explored. We would also compile a “handout” listing CORI panels to distribute to AAA members at the registration areas in 2009.

(See copy of minutes attached)

2. Development activities for 2009

(a) Shortly after the 2009 annual meeting, Lem Purcell was contacted about updating the website. However, it is not clear what an “update” will entail since there is little feedback on any CORI issues or needs. This as an item for discussion at the 2009 CORI annual meeting.

(b) Revival of CORI-theme Journal or CORI working paper publication. A Grad student was currently exploring the idea of reviving the CORI working paper publication. It is unsure if there is interest in this endeavor. This item is listed as a item for discussion at the 2009 CORI annual meeting where the grad student would be present to explain his idea and together with other members, explore the process further.

3. Outreach Efforts for 2009

(a) Anna O’Leary, together with CORI chair-elect, Anahi Viladrich (Hunter College), contributed to the January 2009 column (CORI LOOKING TO THE FUTURE and March 2009 SUNTA column “CORI Comments and News”)

(b) Five emails were sent to CORI emails through 2009, advising CORI members of upcoming deadlines, and CFPs, and other announcements.

(c) CORI presence within SUNTA and AAA: Chair Elect (Anahi Valadich) and I contacted Deborah Pellow in February about whether CORI might have some input in the panel/paper review process. What we envision are sets of AAA panels with a CORI designations so that we can (re)build CORI visibility, and hopefully, over the next few years, carve out a notable presence in AAA. We are seeking advice or suggestions. It appears that the organization of two panels for AAA for 2009 were facilitated with the help of the CORI listserve. Currently, all panels are subsumed into SUNTA or other organizational category.

(d) A call to CORI members to help the Chair Compile a listing of CORI panels was sent out in December.
4. **Personal Reflection after two years of CORI leadership**
   After two years of CORI leadership, it is unclear to me whether CORI fulfills any viable mission other than networking.
2010 Committee Membership List

(Effective as of December 6, 2009)

Program committee

-- Don Nonini (as president-elect and program chair)
-- Faedah M. Totah (as 1st year councilor)
-- Jeff Maskovsky (as 2nd year councilor)

Leeds prize

-- Bob Rotenberg, chair (as board-elected non-voting chair through 2012)
-- Steven Gregory
-- Xiang Biao
-- Bob White

Graduate student paper prize

-- Jeff Maskovsky (as 2nd year councilor)
-- Faedah Totah (as 1st year councilor)
-- Petra Kuppinger (as editor/associate editor of City & Society)

Undergraduate student paper prize

-- Gautam Ghosh (as 3rd year councilor)
-- Fethi Keles (as student councilor)

Nominations committee (convened already in early September)

-- Deborah Pellow
-- Erick Castellanos
-- Debra Rodman
Draft Agenda for the 2009 SUNTA Business Meeting

Friday, December 4: 12:15 – 1:30 p.m.; Room: 408

Call to order
Review and approval of minutes

Welcome to new officers:
  Faedah Totah – 1st year Councilor
  Fethi Keles – Student Councilor

Thanks to outgoing officers:
  David Haines – Past President
  Lisa M Knauer – Councilor

Thanks to the Nominations Committee
  Deborah Pellow – Chair
  Erick Castellanos
  Debra Rodman

Annual reports:
  President           Deborah Pellow
  Program chair       Don Nonini
  Secretary           Jayne Howell
  Treasurer           Anne Lewinson
  City & Society      Petra Kuppinger
  List-serve          Angela Jancius

Award presentations:
  Leeds Prize Presented by Bob Rotenberg
  Graduate student paper prize Presented by Jeff Maskovsky
  Undergraduate student paper prize Presented by Gautam Ghosh

Old business:
  Listserv name
  Website

New business:
  Next AAA meetings:
    New Orleans – Labor issues
    Interlocutor

New initiatives

Comments from the floor
Passing of the gavel
Adjournment
SUNTA BUSINESS MEETING  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2008  
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Submitted by Deborah Altamirano (for Jayne Howell)

Present: David Haines (President), Deborah Pellow (President Elect), Anne Lewinson (Treasurer), Petra Kuppinger (City and Society), Robert Rotenberg (Leeds Prize Committee), Russell Leigh Sharman (Councilor), Gautam Ghosh (Councilor), …

Absent: Jayne Howell (Secretary), Jeff Maslovsky (incoming Councilor), Angela Jancius and Ben Bergara (List-Serve)

I. President opened meeting at 6:15 p.m. and,
   a. Thanked outgoing officers, Susan Greenbaum (past President) and Russell Leigh Sharman (Councilor) for their service to SUNTA and welcomed new officers, Deborah Pellow (President), Don Nonini (President Elect), and Jeff Maskovsky (Counselor).
   b. Thanked nominations committee for their hard work, Deborah Pellow, Erick Castellanos, and Debra Rodman.
   c. noted that SUNTA is in good shape financially and that the changes to ANTHRO SOURCE have benefited SUNTA
   d. noted that SUNTA continues to support Graduate student initiated AAA panels
   e. pointed out that the list-serve receives praise from within and outside of the membership.

II. Report from Program Chair—Deborah Pellow
   a. Reminder that reception follows at 7:30 p.m. co-hosted with AES and Society for Cultural Anthropology
   b. This year, SUNTA sponsored 61 papers, 4 poster sessions, 38 volunteered panels, organized with assistance from Councilors Lisa Knauer and Gautam Ghosh
   c. Pointed out that SUNTA usually has 3 invited panels, this year we had 6 co-sponsored panels (with Society for the Anthro. of Work, SAE, SAR, SANA, AFA, Assoc. for Africanist Anthro.)---
      1. Setha Low noted that there was fierce competition for this year’s meeting—only those panels receiving an A to A- rating were considered for inclusion and those given high ratings were judged most directly relevant to the conference theme.
   d. Next year’s theme: The “Ends” of Anthropology: Are we coming to an “end” as a discipline?
      Can consider papers/panels/ ideas related to: 1) the “end(s)” of relativism—the state of cultural relativism, 2) “End(s)” of identity, 3) “End(s)” of publics, etc.
      Suggestions welcome from the membership.

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1. Questions raised from membership regarding how to encourage greater student participation in the meetings. Discussion re: need to continue to encourage student-organized panels: SUNTA hosted one—Ethnographies of Record/Ethnographies of Inclusion. (check)

2. Breakfast being offered for Graduate Students to foster inclusion and networking. Also, there is now a student guide to the AAA meetings with general information as well as information on places to stay/eat/activities, etc.

e. David Haines pointed out that with regard to future panels—those that link best with the conference theme will have best chance for inclusion in the program. Therefore, consider panels that are: a. relevant to the themes, and b. relevant to the section.

III. Report from the Secretary –(presented by Deborah Altamirano-SUNTA member for Jayne Howell)

a. Deborah reported that she is standing in for Jayne Howell who is in the field in Mexico and who sends her regrets that she cannot join us this year.

b. Deborah reported that, in Jayne’s stead, she attended the Contributing Editors’ Breakfast that was chaired by Dinah Winnick, the AN Associate Managing Editor—

1. Dinah informed attendees that there are several decades of AN missing from AnthroSource that will be available on-line soon

2. Also, there is a call out on the AN website for proposals for thematic issues—Dinah mentioned that the thematic issues are the most successful when they have a group/section to work with. Deborah suggested that SUNTA might consider submitting a proposal (or collaborating with another section) for a thematic issue—good way to increase visibility of SUNTA to general AAA membership. Some suggestions for future thematic issues that were put forth at the CE breakfast include:

   --Housing, Incarceration, reproductive policies and practices, visual ethics, grad student trends in research and technology, aging and the life course, the anthropology of innovation, the restructuring of US/Global capitalism, citizenship, migration, transnationality: global/national policies, the anthropology of Democracy, Where does “anthropology” begin and end in interdisciplinary research?, etc. Many of these themes are directly relevant to the interests of the section.

Contact Jayne Howell with suggestions/contributions for thematic issues/proposal. Also, PLEASE contact Jayne re: suggestions and contributions for monthly Anthro News SUNTA column!

IV. Treasurer’s Report-- Anne Lewinson:
a. Large fund balance this year—over 70K—noted that journal has transferred over to Wiley so that each section gets a specific amount of monetary return from royalties—SUNTA close to 10K--therefore may be able to reduce dues which will be of benefit to SUNTA

b. Membership: good healthy number of members—now stands at 702 by official count. David Haines noted that the membership has been fairly stable. Peak was 756 members four years ago. David also noted that his paranoia re: how AAA handles section funds has been somewhat alleviated asof late… Also, publications costs of 30K for journal no longer paid out by SUNTA under current contract with Wiley.

V. City and Society—Petra Kuppinger

a. Petra reported that the journal was doing well, now recognizing 20 years of City and Society. A. Wolf and other previous founding editors have written about their experiences with the journal. Call for other founding editors to contribute as well.

b. Petra appealed for submissions to journal—noted a 27% acceptance rate

VI. List-Serve

a. David Haines reported since the List-Serve editors not present—noted that list-serve reaches well beyond membership—almost double.

b. Questions from membership re: on message line, list-serve is not identified as “SUNTA”, should it be? David Haines replied that list-serve still identified as “Urbananth-L” Should consider including “SUNTA” on message line to make more clear identification/association with SUNTA?

c. Can join by googling and signing up.

VII. Awards and Presentations

a. Leeds Prize—Rob Rotenberg awarded 13th prize—Prize given every year for the best monograph in Urban, National, and Transnational anthropology. Three readers made up selection committee which read through “piles of books”. This year there is an Honorable Mention and a prize recipient:

1. **Honorable Mention to Lisa Winn**—research associate at McCary University in NS Wales (check names/spellings and institutions of award recipients) for her book, Pyramids and Night Clubs… (UT Press). Beautifully textured ethnography of globalization.

2. **Leeds Prize to: Chiang Gao** from Oxford University—for Body Shopping…, Princeton Univ. Press (check names/spellings and institutions of award recipients). Ethnography addresses the flexible global market and the circulation of the technical labor force. It looks at practice of Indian outsourcing of labor to large transnational corporations and follows workers from India to Australia. Leeds recipient Chiang Gao was present to receive
award and expressed what an honor it was for him to receive the Leeds Prize.

b. **Graduate Student Prize**—Presented by Gautam Ghosh. Submissions were reviewed by Petra and Russell

This prize is to support and nurture scholarship by graduate students in urban, national, and transnational anthropology. Both top papers this year addressed each of the letters of S-U-N-T-A. Both authors are from University of Chicago. However, the five final papers considered were authored by students from several universities.

1. **Honorable Mention** was awarded to Jeremy Walton for “Neo-Ottoman Horizons and Public Piety in Contemporary Istanbul.”
2. **Graduate Student Prize** was awarded to Hadas Weiss for “Immigration to Settlement: The Case of Ariel (West Bank),

c. **Undergraduate Prize** awarded by Lisa Maya Knauer

Lisa is very happy to award this prize to encourage research and recognize undergraduate student achievement. Papers for this prize are sent in BY FACULTY and Lisa encourages all faculty members present to spread the word about this prize to our colleagues. Lisa noted that there was a very strong pool of papers from both private and public universities. Both of recipients this year, however, are from CUNY.

1. **Honorable Mention** was awarded to Kathleen Stanard, “The Bowery Mission: The Intricacies of Christian Faith and Homeless Men.”
2. **Undergraduate Prize** was awarded to Chris Parisano (currently in Peru) for his paper “Junked Landscapes and Gypsies: Morality, Exchange, and the Production of Urban Space in Willets Point, Queens” (nominated by John Collins of Queens College). Paper was described a theoretically sophisticated and touched on so many issues relevant to SUNTA.

Lisa thanked David Haines for stepping to review papers. She noted there were few poster submissions this year and that poster sessions are a good way for students to participate in the AAA. David also encouraged SUNTA members to take SUNTA brochures to pass out to students and to invite students to publish on web or in *City and Society*.

d. **One more presentation** was made by Rob Rotenberg to Angela Jancius and Ben Vergara who manage UrbanAnthro-L. He noted the skill and dedicated each has brought to the list and their ability to encourage discussions relevant to SUNTA. The past three presidents got together to create a plaque to express their appreciation and to recognize the efforts that these two individuals put in
everyday. Rotenberg impressed upon the membership that the list is made better for the outstanding efforts of these two list moderators.

VIII. Old Business

a. Alternative spring meeting—
   David noted that they are working on different kinds of co-sponsorship and ideas for collaborating with other sections—with overlaps with SUNTA. Notes that people belong to other/multiple sections. Perhaps we should consider holding an alternative spring meeting in 2010.

b. AAA governance has improved with creation of general assembly structure, which makes governance more democratic and transparent. Section Assembly made up of 38 section presidents and an executive committee that coordinate with the AAA board on issues that come up.

c. One concern is that sections that fall below the 250 member threshold will lose their status. AAA will take three-year period and take highest membership number. Currently, Central States is in danger of losing section status. One problem is cost of multiple memberships—need way to reduce costs of those with multiple memberships. Perhaps need to offer reduced cost to encourage greater section membership. Also, need to encourage student involvement—task force for student initiatives

d. The Greening of the AAA—contracts for meetings have been completed through 2012. All sections can have all of their materials archived at the National Anthropology Archives (Smithsonian). Wenner-Gren has created guide for how to do it.

e. Resolution put forth to waive registration fee for foreign scholars—it was suggested that the process should be made transparent in addition to increased options. Waived registration would facilitate bringing in foreign scholars for Interlocutors/guest lectures/panels, etc. Suggestion that sections have access to monies to waive reg fees—more discussion/clarification needed through the exec board and assembly.

f. Re: journal—currently, with Wiley contract, no cost to section for production and mailing. Wiley splits profits with AAA which splits profits with sections. Last year, SUNTA received $8,000 in download fees. There is no cost to SUNTA for AnthroSource and electronic publishing.

g. Dues Reduction: Yearly membership fee--was $33.50 now down to $28.00. Student rate to $14.

h. Next meetings in Philadelphia. There should be less pressure/competition for sessions. 2010 meetings in New Orleans raise some potential labor issues over use of non-unionized labor. AAA plans some events in unionized facilities. Three or four hotels are unionized; main conference hotel (Hyatt) in not.
IX. New Business

a. Now that SUNTA has cash reserve—deferred initiative can be reintroduced.

Question to the membership:

1. Should SUNTA pay for memberships for each student prize winner?
2. Should SUNTA provide partial travel support for foreign scholars?

b. Anna O’Leary of CORI announced that CORI will meet on Saturday @ 6:15 p.m. in Sutter Room 8. Discussions include immigration and refugee rights. CORI also working on global health and undocumented workers—position paper—to protest a number of policy issues that are counter to immigrant well-being. Anna encourages SUNTA membership to work with them!

c. David Haines passed the gavel to incoming SUNTA president Deborah Pellow. Membership welcomed Deborah as its new president. Setha Low pointed out the incredible job David has done at SUNTA president for the past two year. The membership showed its appreciation with applause for David’s hard work and contribution to SUNTA.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.