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Membership:

Provide the most recent membership numbers.
Number of Members: 800

List any factors you think may be increasing or decreasing your Section membership.
Represents steady increase since last year (720 in Oct 2011)

The Board and membership were very responsive to AFA's increased and improved outreach and communication; however, since those need timely and ongoing work, the quality of the Board's commitment and work-level this year was also important.

AFA during 2012:

- had a much better maintained listserv and web site (new volunteer manager came on in 2011)
- launched new Twitter and Facebook accounts, with coordination now with other media including AFA's AAA-supported redesigned web site, for outreach and membership reminders
- had a more responsive Board (very supportive, got things accomplished relatively quickly and with good communication) than in the past
- built on 2010-2011 success in getting VOICES edited and released in a more systematic and timely manner than in the past
- continued to have an active student member
- continued with its wide ranging and dynamic established award opportunities for students at every level
- continued to require that graduate students submitting papers for awards be registered AFA members
- kept student membership fees low

Finances:

Provide the most recent financial balances for Section budgets (and publication sponsored budgets).
Financial Balance: 35,210.63
Publication Sponsored budgets.
NA
List any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances.
AFA finances remain very stable as long as the section’s membership does and that rose in 2012 after dropping in 2011, a trend we hope to build upon in 2013.

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 Co-Sponsored with AAA Committee On Practicing Applied And Public Int
**Session:** Activism, Advocacy, And Academia: Undoing The Borders In Feminist Anthropology?

**Session Type:** Invited Co-Sponsored with Association For Queer Anthropology
**Session:** In And Out Of Bounds: Sexuality, Gender, Classification, And Contestation

**Session Type:** Invited Co-Sponsored with Association For Queer Anthropology
**Session:** Queer Transfrancisco: Pasts, Presents, And Futures Of The "Sodom By The Sea"

**Session Type:** Invited Co-Sponsored with Society For The Anthropology Of North America
**Session:** Anthropological Studies Of Incarceration And Activism In The Era Of Massincarceration

**Session Type:** Invited
**Session:** Debating The Future Of Feminist Anthropologies: A Global Conversation

**Session Type:** Special Events
**Session:** Association for Feminist Anthropology Business Meeting

**Session Type:** Other
**Session:** Workshop On Teaching Gender and Sexuality: Pedagogy At the Intersections

**Session Type:** Special Events
**Session:** JOINT RECEPTION OF AFA, AQA, ABA, ALLA, SLACA, SANA, SAW

**Session Type:** Volunteered
**Session:** TAKING OFF THE SAVIOR CAPE: NEW DIRECTIONS IN ACTIVISM

**Session Type:** Volunteered
**Session:** WHOSE BODY MATTERS?: GENDER, VIOLENCE, AND THE STATE

**Session Type:** Volunteered
**Session:** WORKING WOMEN, WORKING MEN: GENDER, WORK AND AGENCY

**Session Type:** Volunteered
**Session:** 'This Bridge Called Myself': POLICING BORDERS, POLICING BODIES

**Session Type:** Volunteered
**Session:** MOTHERLAND/FATHERLAND: GENDER AND THE STATE
Awards

List awards presented this year on behalf of your Section.

Award: Dissertation Award
Date: 11/15/2012
Recipient: Asli Zengin
Affiliation: University of Toronto
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Sexual Plays of Intimate Power: The State, Violence and Trans Women's Subjectivities in Istanbul

Award: Sylvia Forman Paper Award, Undergraduate
Date: 11/15/2012
Recipient: Lilia Kilburn
Affiliation: Amherst College
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: 'Trying to Be a Woman in This World?': Revisiting Feminist Responses to Transgender Body Modification

Award: Sylvia Forman Paper Award, Graduate
Date: 11/15/2012
Recipient: June Hee Kwon
Affiliation: Duke University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: The Economy of Remittances: Sexual and Moral Tensions of Korean Chinese Migration in Yanbian, China

Award: Zora Neale Hurston Travel Award
Date: 11/15/2012
Recipient: Christine A. Pinnock
Affiliation: City University of New York
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Collective-Yes; Union- No!: Exploring the Complexities of Collective Engagement for Female Afro-Caribbean Service Workers in New York City

Award: Zora Neale Hurston Travel Award
Date: 11/15/2012
Recipient: Paola Canova
Affiliation: University of Arizona
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Tracing Intimate Subjectivities of Ayoreo Women in the Mennonite Colonies of the Paraguayan Chaco

Award: Zora Neale Hurston Travel Award
Date: 11/15/2012
Recipient: Tami Navarro
Affiliation: Texas A and M University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Virgin Capital: Foreign Investment and Local Stratification in the U.S. Virgin Islands

Meetings

Did your section request a meeting registration waiver or community engagement grant?
Yes

If granted, who/what was it/they used for?
Michelle Brane

We also, as a board, helped sponsor another activist, Jose Santos (since we only had the one waiver)

List spring meeting activities
NA

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.

Undergraduate and/or graduate students:

- We continue our dynamic solicitation of student papers and dissertation writing proposals, and give careful feedback with suggestions for improvement to those who do not win and cash prizes with as much publicity as we can generate for those who do
- We provide competitive Zora Neale Hurston Travel Awards to feminist anthropology graduate students of color who are presenting papers and/or job seeking at the AAAs
- We also include in our publicity the names and affiliations of the students’ advisors, to try to encourage more responsibility and awareness among professionals of AFA support for their mentees and students

Early career scholars.

AFA organized and sponsored a Workshop held during the AAA Annual Meetings "On Teaching Gender and Sexuality: Pedagogy At the Intersections" for students planning to go into academia

Independent scholars.

We try to set aside our AAA meeting waiver for that category, and for advocates and activists

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.

- AFA president led organization of Joint Reception at AAA, co-hosted with 6 other sections
- AFA liaison (Jane Henrici) to AAA Committee on Public Policy
- AFA liaison (Jane Henrici) to Section Assembly Task Force and Interest Group Futures
- AFA liaison (Susan Hyatt) to AAA-CoPAPIA
- AFA editor of VOICES (Amy Harper) on SA Advisory Group to the AAA EB’s Committee on the Future of Print and Electronic Publishing, and now to Open-Access committee
- Board-authored and signed “Public Statement on Parenting in Public” issued across all
our communications media and the AAA web site (September 2012)

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.

- active AFA Twitter account: news, discussion, policy, politics, cfps, job announcements to do with feminist anthropology, anthropology, feminisms, gender, academia, research
- active AFA Facebook page: the same, but with photos and more about meetings, viewpoints
- Listserv for announcements about jobs, new publications, calls for papers, etc.
- EBlas (AAA sent to entire membership) for AFA president or board updates and notices and reminders about deadlines
- active AFA website with general section information, membership information, contact data for board, announcements, book reviews, and (soon), syllabi
- Board communication is through email and multiple Skype conversations
- AFA now has a designated gmail account for its president (afapres) to help both with transitions among presidents and with the keeping up of digital archives for the National Anthropology Archives at the Smithsonian Institution

Governance:
Changes in bylaws or governance structure.
NA

Initiatives:
What Initiatives does your Section have underway or planned for the coming year: membership, publication annual meeting, mentorship, other?
In 2012, AFA:

- added chairing Communications Committee to Secretary’s duties, to monitor and help manage the different forms of communications and outreach
- met with the curator at the National Anthropology Archives of the Smithsonian Institution to discuss older paper archives and newer digital versions
- added and developed dynamic Twitter account
- launched a Facebook page
- redesigned and updated section web page
- jointly authored and issued “Public Statement on Parenting in Public”

For 2013, AFA will undertake:

- a web-based survey of our membership in 2013 to continued to explore the possibility of founding peer-reviewed journal for feminist anthropology
- fund-raise and contribute support toward a one-time 25th anniversary AAA intern in 2013 to research and draft a section history using the National Anthropology Archives at the Smithsonian Institution; Jane Henrici will provide supervision and mentorship for this intern
- to supervise and release a history of the AFA as part of our 25th anniversary celebration
- collecting and sharing feminist anthropological syllabi during 2013
more dynamic efforts at soliciting and editing book reviews for four books by feminist anthropologists, then post those reviews on the AFA web site

In addition, AFA president Jane Henrici was approached by an academic press about editing a new feminist anthropology textbook, and has spoken to the membership about developing a prospectus with plans to use relevant papers from the 2013 AAAs if possible as chapters.

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.

This came up for a vote in 2012 but seemed to have become encumbered. AFA would like AAA to offer a one-day registration fee for non-members to attend the annual meetings even where a waiver is not available (because we reserve our one waiver for those with even fewer resources).

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

• Same as above and
• Please include wi-fi access for the meeting locations (rather than at such a large expense for each session or meeting); if hotel cost is significant, perhaps we can jointly purchase a short-term plan (this would make a lot of presentations simpler to do)

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

Increased speed taking care of the food arrangements for Board and other Meetings (otherwise, really appreciate all of the help and support)