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Membership:
Provide the most recent membership numbers.
Number of Members: 210
List any factors you think may be increasing or decreasing your Section membership.
We added 5 members during our Business Meeting during the AAA meeting

Finances:
Provide the most recent financial balances for Section budgets (and publication sponsored budgets).
Financial Balance: 9,399.79
Publication Sponsored budgets.
Incomplete
List any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances.
According to the figures of our Treasurer, Margo Smith, the ASA balance is 5940.83, plus 1605.21 remaining in the Philip Singer account totaling 7546.04. She 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: Invited Session: First Fieldwork Round 2. It consisted of nine papers and three discussants. The attendance was good.

Session Type: Special Events
Session: Special Event: Our members also participated in the volunteered session (?) entitled Visualizing Late Life: Elder Anthropologists Reflect on Aging and Mortality. We were the reviewers of this session which dealt with the results of the Philip Singer project which our section has been sponsoring.

Session Type: Other
Session: Other Events: Annual Business Meeting combined with Complimentary Lunch. This year was had 54 attendees.

Awards
List awards presented this year on behalf of your Section.
Meetings
Did your section request a meeting registration waiver or community engagement grant?
No
If granted, who/what was it/they used for?
Incomplete
List spring meeting activities
not applicable

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 2014 meeting. We have had two sessions on First Fieldwork and a number of the participants in these sessions are working on putting the papers together in a published volume.

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.
Chief Concerns and Issues:
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 am not sure whether or not that changes the cost of their publication but that is an area which should certainly be investigated.

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 which I have received from every staff members with whom I have been in contact. They are a superb group.