

SAA Meeting June 19, 2011

Members present:

Amanda Carter

Sheeji Kathuria

6:05pm - Amanda introduces SAA meeting for UTK-SIS. Welcome back and congrats to graduates! A list of all current members and officers is reiterated just to help remember everyone's names.

6:06pm - Since Sheeji is graduating in August, the position of Secretary is now open. If anyone knows anyone who can take this position. Or could we possibly combine the position with Beckys as Treasurer? If anyone has questions about duties as Secretary, contact Sheeji.

6:07pm - Lots of events happened in March 2011 - ORNL, Michelle Ganz, Alan Lowe informal discussion as well as Hail to the Chief! Talk at Baker center.

6:08pm - ideas for upcoming events? SAA Annual in Chicago August 21-27, 2011. Funding issues, how can we figure out a way to fund ourselves? Other tour ideas - Special Collections at Hodges; MPA at Baker Center; East Tennessee Historical Society. Ideas outside of TN for DE students?

6:10pm - Maybe make some tours out of the Federal Libraries course trip. Something we can discuss at next meeting.

6:11pm - Ideas for workshops? Book preservation and disaster planning workshop; Managing electronic records. Both would be put on by Alesha. Which one are you interested in and would you prefer? What kinds of workshops would you like to have? TLA has free monthly webinars - anyone know of similar options? What are the best times for events and workshops?

6:14pm - Meeting dates and times - Seems Fridays and Sundays are best. Maybe next time we can do Friday to have more attendees! But they are all recorded so we can listen later. How is 6pm EST for everyone?

6:15pm - Keep in mind - practical experiences in archives but also gives you the confidence to pursue archive jobs you want. Keep eye out for good practicum experiences, independent studies, as well as volunteering and conferences. In terms of classes - IS 564 - Archives will be offered in Fall 2011!

6:16pm - Amanda asks for feedback in terms of making SAA more fun; a better experience for everyone! If anyone has any suggestions, please tell Amanda.