

SfAA Student Committee Semi-Annual Report October 2007

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2007-2008 Student Committee Officers

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Overview

The Student Committee does not request that the Executive Board take any actions or votes at this time. A summary of our activities since the 2007 Annual Meetings in Tampa is presented below. The Student Committee is appreciative to the SfAA for its continued support.

Summary of Activities Since 2007 Annual Meetings

Time Period	Officer(s) Responsible	Activity	Description
continuous	Chair	Ad hoc student advising.	Response to student email requests for advice about choosing graduate programs, submitting abstracts to SfAA, and other topics.
continuous	Comm. Coordinator	Management of SfAA group at the SfAA Social Network.	Monitoring of activities of http://sfaanet.ning.com/ . Recruited each committee member into the network.
April	All officers	Set Committee agenda for 2007 – 2008.	Based on student suggestions at the Business Meeting in Tampa, the committee drew up a plan of action for the coming year. Incorporated feedback from a 36-member Student Committee email group.
April - May	Treasurer	Reimbursement of funds.	Worked with SfAA Business Office to reimburse previous year's officers for expenses related to Annual Meetings.
June-July	Chair Vice-chair	Coordination with National Association of Student Anthropologists (NASA)	Began discussions with the student committee of the AAA about co-sponsoring student sessions at the SfAA and AAA annual meetings.
June	Chair	Revision of committee handbook	Based on guide from former chair Scott Lacy and feedback from former members, the student committee handbook was revision and improved. Set out quarterly check-in dates for committee.
July	Communications Coordinator	Student listserv	Created listserv at the U of Florida in order to build a list of student members for enhanced communication.

September - November	Chair	Promotion of Memphis conference to student clubs and faculty. Coordination with conference co-chair for planning purposes.	Posters and flyers promoting Memphis 2006 meetings and student awards (Student Endowed, Del Jones, Peter K. New, etc) sent to student members. Program Chairs were consulted during the process.
August - November	Comm. Coordinator	Annual meeting travel tips document for Students	Solicit information and compile document providing information on student-friendly hotels and hostels, restaurants, sights, and transportation.
May, July, October	Editor	SfAA Newsletter column	Topics included summary of SC activities in Vancouver, summer student activities, and promotion of student web pages and awards.
October	Chair, Treasurer	Proposal of budget.	Submitted to Dr. Diane Austin of SfAA Executive Board.

FY 2008 Student Committee Budget

An itemized justification of the proposed Committee budget was submitted to Executive Board member Dr. Diane Austin on October 17, 2007.