

**German-North American Resources Partnership (GNARP)  
Virtual Midwinter Meeting for 2023  
Wednesday February 22, 2023**

**1:00 PM Eastern Time**

**12:00 PM Noon Central**

**11:00 AM Mountain**

**10:00 AM Pacific**

**7:00 PM Bonn, Germany**

**This meeting will not be recorded**

**This meeting is scheduled for 90 minutes**

1. Welcome, GNARP [Steering Committee](#) introductions. If you are a GNARP member, but not a member of the Steering Committee, welcome! Please type your name and institution into the chat.
  - a. Chair (2022–24): Jeremy Ott, University of California, Berkeley
  - b. Immediate Past Chair (2022-23): Heidi Madden, Duke University
  - c. Vice-Chair (2022–24): Walter Schlect, Washington University
  - d. Secretary (2022–24): Deborah Raftus, University of Washington (Minute Taker)
  - e. Collection Development Working Group Chair (2022–24): Walter Schlect, Washington University
  - f. Engagement and Outreach Working Group Chair (2021-2023): Kathleen Smith, Stanford University
  - g. Ex-Officio Steering Committee Members: David B. Morris, Library of Congress; Marie Waltz, Center for Research Libraries
  - h. Members-at-Large: Michael Printy, Yale University
2. Approval of [2022 annual meeting minutes](#), and this meeting’s agenda (Ott, 5 min.)
3. Report by GNARP’s Chair (Ott, 5 min.)  
Update on GNARP-funded newspaper digitization project (Abendpost, Neue Zürcher Zeitung, New-Yorker Staats-Zeitung)
4. CRL report (Waltz, 10 min.)
5. GNARP Budget and Database report (CRL staff, 10 min.)
6. Overview and funding request for ACRL/ESS “European Language and Area Studies Workshop for Librarians” which will be held Friday, June 23, 2023 in Chicago (Brian Vetruba, ESS Chair, 20 min.)
7. Collection Development Working Group report (Schlect, 15 min.)  
Project to assess for potential digitization the [University of Cincinnati German Dissertations, Programmschriften, and Pamphlets in Classics](#) (referred to GNARP by CRL)  
Exploratory work regarding the [GPA CRL Alliance Program – Phase 2](#)
8. Engagement and Outreach Working Group report (Smith, 15 min.)  
Current project ideas  
Remarks from GNARP’s chair and discussion on need for new members to join this group and potential new projects for 2023: 1) For inclusivity and the longterm health of GNARP as an active group, identify potential new personal members of GNARP at institutions which currently

have neither institutional representatives nor personal members; 2) In partial fulfillment of WG [charge](#), create options for discussion at GNARP's summer 2023 meeting that will allow us to "Establish criteria and application process for awarding professional development stipends which could be used for conference travel or other training." (Ott)

9. Potential change in bylaws to allow for the filling of a working group chair position when an attempted election fails (Ott, 10 min.).

Our [bylaws](#) (relevant section below) do not currently state what to do to fill leadership roles if an election fails. Although at least in recent years we have managed to find individuals to stand for Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary by the time of the annual meeting if not before (partially complying with bylaws), last year we did not have an individual ready to stand for Chair of the Collection Development Working Group by that meeting. Weeks after that meeting, GNARP's Chair (Ott) nominated Walter Schlect, and the members of the Steering Committee signaled their agreement to appoint him to CDWG Chair by e-mail. This was an ad hoc procedure, and we should consider whether to codify this or a different procedure within our bylaws for the position of WG Chair if not also other leadership roles (which might vary in procedures to determine leadership).

#### "VIII. Elections

Elections for the Chair, Vice Chair, and Working Group Coordinators shall be conducted by mail or electronic ballot.

The Chair of the Steering Committee shall appoint members to a Nominating Committee which shall solicit nominations from the membership, compose a slate of candidates, and obtain their agreement to serve.

No later than sixty (60) days before the annual meeting, the Nominating Committee shall forward the slate of candidates to the CRL representative to conduct the ballot.

Election shall be decided by a simple majority vote by voting members. Any ties shall be broken by a vote of the incumbent Steering Committee.

The nominating committee shall inform the successful candidates and shall announce the election results to the membership."