

CEAL Committee on Chinese Materials Annual Report 2014-2015

Summary of Activities

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I. Introduction

This report covers activities of the CEAL Committee on Chinese Materials (CCM) from March 2014 to March 2015. In its first year of the committee cycle, the CCM has formed its membership, prepared the annual sessions, and started several initiatives.

II. CCM Membership

A CEAL election took place in early spring 2014. Hong Cheng (University of California, Los Angeles) was elected as the Chair of the Committee on Chinese Materials, announced at the plenary session of the 2014 CEAL Annual Meeting. The formation of the committee membership immediately followed. Many librarians expressed interest in serving on the committee. The Chair selected the committee members, following the principle of a broad and balanced representation, in consideration of geographical location, specialty/research interests, size of Chinese collections, and length of membership in CEAL. The following members were selected and approved by the CEAL Executive Board:

- Hsi-chu Bolick (University of North Carolina)
- Liangyu Fu (University of Michigan)
- Xiaohe Ma (Harvard University)
- Ye (Dianna) Xu (University of Wisconsin, Madison)
- Susan Xue (University of California, Berkeley)
- Haihui Zhang (University of Pittsburgh)
- Luo Zhou (Duke University)

III. CCM Annual Programs

The CCM program during the CEAL annual conference is the priority of the Committee. Echoing to CEAL's theme for the 2015 annual conference in Chicago, CCM has well planned and organized two events during the annual conference, and sponsored a panel as well.

- The Round Table Meeting with the Vendors, titled *Dialogue on Chinese Electronic Resources: Product, Progress and Problem*, on March 24, 2015, at 7:00 – 9:00 PM.
- The CCM Regular Session, titled *Vision and Collaboration beyond the Local Chinese Collection*, on March 26, 2015, at 11:10 AM – 12:10 PM.
- The CCM sponsored AAS Panel #84, titled *Modern Migration: Asia and the World*, on March 27, 2015, at 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM.

IV. CCM Workshops

In response to the needs of professional development, CCM initiated and planned on a series of workshops in 2014 – 2016.

- The 2014 Workshop on Chinese Rare books and Classics, organized by the National Library of China and initiated by the previous CCM 2011-2014 chaired by Susan Xue. The workshop is successfully concluded in Beijing in June 2014. Susan Xue and Luo Zhou coordinated the workshop on behalf of CCM.
- The 2015 Workshop on Chinese Film, Television and Documentary, co-sponsored by the Central News and Documentary Film Studios and CCTV, Beijing Academy of Film, the National Archive of Film, the Communication University of China, the Center for Documentary Film of Beijing Normal University, and the Film Press of China. The workshop is currently in the stage of registration, and will be held in Beijing on June 2 – 5, 2014. Hsi-chu Bolick, Hong Cheng, Ye (Dianna) Xu and Haihui Zhang will coordinate the workshop on behalf of CCM.
- The 2015 Workshop on Ancient Chinese Books and Contemporary Chinese Digital Resources (International Workshop for Professional Librarians: From ancient times to the present: Preservation of ancient Chinese books and development of contemporary Chinese digital resources), organized by the National Central Library of China in Taiwan on August 4 – 9, 2015. The workshop is currently in the stage of registration. Hsi-chu Bolick and Liangyu Fu will coordinate the workshop on behalf of CCM.
- The 2016 Workshop on Chinese Contemporary and Local Resources, co-sponsored by Shanghai Library in July 2016. The workshop is currently in planning.

V. Other CCM Activities

Major CCM activities during March 2014 – March 2015:

- Developed contents of “Open Access Resources for Chinese Studies” by Ye (Dianna) Xu and Susan Xue, which has been added to the CCM website by Liangyu Fu.
- Established a subcommittee on Chinese Rare Books and Classics, to coordinate Chinese rare book project with the National Library of China. The membership of the subcommittee includes:
 - Susan Xue , Chair & CCM Member (UC Berkeley)
 - Shuwen Cao (Princeton University)
 - Sarah Elman (Columbia University)
 - Haihui Zhang, CCM Member (University of Pittsburgh)
 - Yuan Zhou (University of Chicago)
- Concluded the CTP/CCM Joint Working Group on ISO 7098 Romanization of Chinese. After a survey among the CEAL members and approval by the CEAL Executive Board, a document titled the "CEAL Responses to the future RDA governance" is sent as the CEAL response, along with another document titled "Future role of CEAL concerning RDA." The membership of the joint working group includes:
 - Shi Deng, Chair (UC San Diego)
 - Vickie Doll (University of Kansas)
 - Sarah Elman (Columbia University)
 - T.J. Kao (Yale University)
 - Dongyun Ni (University of Hawai'i)
 - Ming-sun Poon (Library of Congress)

- Jia Xu (University of Iowa)
 - Susan Xue (UC Berkeley)
- Launched a CCM list for Chinese studies librarians and library staff, in promoting communication related to the Chinese studies and Chinese resources among the library colleagues, and reduce the traffic in the East Asian library field.
- Update CCM website. CCM appointed Liangyu Fu (University of Michigan) for maintaining the CCM website, with Hsi-chu Bolick (University of North Carolina) as backup.
- In response to the request from the National Library of China, coordinated the visit of Mr. Zhang Zhiqing, Deputy Director, and the NLC Delegation to attend the AAS/CEAL annual conference in Chicago in March 2015.
- In response to the request from China Publishing Group, coordinated the visit of Mr. Li Yan, Vice President, and the Delegation to attend the AAS/CEAL/CCM annual conference in Chicago in March 2015.

VI. Conclusion

The Committee on Chinese Materials was active in 2014-2015. Through productive brainstorm and discussions, a series of programs are in place or in process. We are looking forward to a successful annual meeting in Chicago in March 2015, and workshops in Beijing and Taipei in June and August 2015.