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members still really like the print Newsletter, but that in may be phased out in the future with the success of News@ASOR.

Andy explained that News@ASOR is a front page rather than a typical Newsletter with the content included in the e-mail. All the articles in News@ASOR link to the full article in another location: the ASOR website, ASOR Blog, etc. The second e-newsletter, The Ancient Near East Today, was brought up briefly. It is geared toward a general audience and will be used as an outreach tool. An email blast will be sent about it in the coming weeks

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IX. Possible public track at annual meeting (Andy)

Andy explained to the committee that ASOR's strategic plan calls for increased lay involvement in membership and in the Annual Meeting. Additionally, the Annual Meeting is an ideal place for non-specialists to see what ASOR is doing. However, many papers are too technical so the idea has been proposed for a public track for papers geared for a public audience. The plan is that we would pay ASOR members to give these lectures Saturday afternoon and Sunday. The public track attendees would have one or two meals