Gen X/Gen Y SIS
Annual Report 2013-2014

2013-2014 Officers were: Trezlen Drake, Chair; Jordan Jefferson, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect; Andrea Alexander, Secretary-Treasurer; Elizabeth Johnson, Immediate Past Chair.

This year the Gen X/Gen Y SIS became the first new Special Interest Section since 1989. This transition has been a learning process for the executive board and our members. Since being approved as an SIS we have drafted bylaws and effectuated a name change. It was a close vote but our membership voted to call the SIS the Professional Engagement, Growth, and Advancement SIS, with the acronym PEGA-SIS. Comments from members have generally indicated a sense that this name is descriptive, memorable, and representative of our mission.

Our primary focus this year was promoting our transition and recruiting members. In an effort to help future Caucuses navigate from Caucus to SIS, Trez, Andrea, and Jordan published an article in the July 2014 issue of Spectrum, detailing the process of the transition and highlighting the mission and goals of the new SIS.

During the Annual Meeting in San Antonio, the SIS continued the tradition of the Gen X/Gen Y Caucus’ annual social event. With sponsorship provided by LexisNexis, the social provided an opportunity for almost 120 members and non-members to relax, mingle, and enjoy food and cocktails along San Antonio’s famed Riverwalk. This year the SIS also formally took ownership of the scholarly networking event Beer & Edits, with which the Gen X/Gen Y SIS had been informally affiliated since the event’s inception. Over 35 members and nonmembers gathered at Beer & Edits 2014 in the spirit of scholarship, collaboration, and libation.

PEGA-SIS currently has 70 members.

Officers for 2014-2015 are: Jordan Jefferson, Chair; Andrea Alexander, Secretary-Treasurer; Trez Drake, Immediate Past Chair. Elections will be held in the fall for the positions of Vice Chair/Chair Elect, Secretary-Treasurer, and Member at Large.