

**Society of American Archivists  
Council Conference Call  
January 20, 2016  
2:00 – 4:00 pm EST**

**Consent Agenda: Ratify Council Interim Actions**  
(Prepared by Executive Committee Member Lisa Mangiafico)

**BACKGROUND**

Current parliamentary policy agrees on validating board decisions made remotely, and ratifying the Council's online and conference-call decisions via the Consent Agenda does not conflict with any existing SAA policy.

**DISCUSSION**

Given the Council's robust use of an e-mail discussion list to function as a group and make decisions remotely, approving interim Council actions via the Consent Agenda contributes to streamlining the group's work and improves access to the interim decisions of SAA's elected decision makers.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the following interim actions taken by the Council between November 11, 2015, and January 20, 2016, be ratified:**

Unanimously adopted the [November 8-10, 2015, SAA Council meeting minutes](#). (December 17, 2015).

Unanimously approved the [Issue Brief: Archivists & the Term of Copyright](#), prepared by the Intellectual Property Working Group and reviewed by the Committee on Advocacy and Public Policy (January 12, 2016).