

**Society of American Archivists
Council Meeting
May 12 and May 15, 2025
Chicago, IL
Virtual Meeting
Consent Agenda: Ratify Executive Committee Interim Actions
(Prepared by Jill Burgos, Assistant Director of Governance)**

BACKGROUND

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

DISCUSSION

Given the SAA Executive Committee's 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 decisionmakers.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the following interim actions taken by the SAA Executive Committee between February 13, 2025 and April 28, 2025, be ratified.

04.24.2025 That the SAA Executive Committee endorse a letter in support of [Senator Ron Wyden's February 25, 2025, letter](#) urging the Federal Trade Commission to protect consumers in the digital marketplace. Motion Second 1 Approved, 2 Opposed, 1 Abstain Did Not Pass

04.15.2025 That the SAA Executive Committee approved distributing the "American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) launched a new research initiative, the **National Survey of History Practitioners**, to better understand who works at history organizations, how they are compensated, and how they feel about their work. **We would greatly appreciate it if you could please share the following link in your networks to help us collect data about the people who work in our field:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NSHP2025>." Motion Second Approved

04.03.2025 That at the SAA Executive Committee meeting, a motion was made that SAA should endorse the [AHA statement](#). Motion Second Unanimously approved.

04.02.2025 That the SAA Executive Committee was asked to approve the [statement via NHA on NEH](#) and SAA's signature to NEH Statement. Motion, Second Both were unanimously approved.

03.21.2025 That the SAA Executive Committee signed onto a statement "[NHA Statement on Threats to the NEH](#)" Motion Second Approved