

**Society of American Archivists
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Virtual
SAA CEO's Report**

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Chief Executive Officer's Report to Council- May 2026

- Governance – weekly meeting with president and president-elect along with monthly meetings with the EC. Thank you Selena for sharing updates with the Council.
- Strategic Plan – attended weekly meetings with volunteers, Brenda and Brittany along with staff Astoria and Jill in the finalization of the strategic plan.
- AI – as SAA move towards defining usage of AI, an internal staff task force has been developed to established guidelines regarding staff usage of AI. As it stands, Copilot is being used for efficiencies, and AI is now a functionality of Google. This was a major issue during the last CEO Roundtable discussion, where approximately 25 CEO identified AI as tool and challenge.
- iMLS Alliance – SAA leadership team (Cherie, Rana, and I) attend the bi-weekly meeting where organizations have been affected by the challenges, provide an update, you will hear from Rana regrading a collaborative statement.
- Annual Meeting – as discussed before, SAA leadership team is conducting site visits for the upcoming years. It is anticipated that we will have signed contracts for meetings held in 2027 before the end of the year.
- Yale/SAA Collaboration for 250th Symposium Recording – where our president-elect was one of the panelists.
- HAC (The Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation) provided a list of potential candidates.