

**Society of American Archivists  
Council Meeting  
July 24, 2017  
Oregon Convention Center  
Portland, Oregon**

**Consent Agenda: Ratify Executive Committee Interim Actions  
(Prepared by Executive Committee Member Rachel Vagts)**

**BACKGROUND**

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

**DISCUSSION**

Given the Executive Committee's use of an e-mail discussion list to function as a group and make decisions remotely, approving interim Executive Committee 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 Executive Committee between May 25, 2017, and June 7, 2017, be ratified:**

- Approved a letter of support, drafted by SAA Executive Director Nancy Beaumont, to accompany the Council of State Archivists' proposal to the Institute of Museum and Library Services for "Planning Grant to Access Shared Digital Tools Testing Environment." (May 25, 2017)
- Approved an [all-member communication](#) regarding recent violence in Portland, Oregon, and the upcoming SAA Annual Meeting. (June 7, 2017)