Agenda Item III.A.

Society of American Archivists
Council Meeting
November 8-10, 2015
Chicago, Illinois

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 actions of the Council 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 September 1 and October 21, 2015, be ratified:

Unanimously adopted the August 17-18, 2015, SAA Council meeting minutes. (September 22, 2015)

Unanimously adopted the August 22, 2015, SAA Council meeting minutes. (September 22, 2015)

Unanimously adopted Meissner’s proposed process to fill the vacancy on the SAA Council created by James Roth’s resignation. (September 25, 2015)

Unanimously adopted the issue brief prepared by the Intellectual Property Group and reviewed by the Committee on Advocacy and Public Policy on the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement. (September 29, 2015)