

**Society of American Archivists  
Council Meeting  
October 31 – November 1, 2023  
Chicago, IL - Hybrid Meeting**

**Consent Agenda: Ratify Executive Committee Interim Actions**  
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**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 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 July 26, 2023 – October 17, 2023, be ratified:**

- Approved the [news & press release](#) for the SAA Forum: Constitution and Bylaws Amendments posted on the SAA website and community list. (August 3, 2023)
- Approved the [news & press release](#) supporting ALA in Condemning the Montana State Library Commission's Withdrawal from ALA (August 16, 2023)
- Approved supporting the draft [statement](#) to increase funding for the U.S. Department of Education's International Education and Foreign Languages Studies. (September 9, 2023)
- Approved the SAA Committee on Research, Data, and Assessment to submit a proposal to the [Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Grant, Initial Draft Proposal](#). (September 14, 2023)
- Approved the news & press release supporting the Access to Knowledge (A2K) Coalition call for SCCR to remove broadcast treat from the agenda. (September 28, 2023)