

**Society of American Archivists**  
**American Archivist Editorial Board**  
**Virtual Meeting | March 25, 2026**

**MINUTES**

**In attendance:** Amy Cooper Cary (*American Archivist* Editor and Editorial Board Chair); Rose Buchanan and Stephanie Luke (Reviews Editor); Bree'ya Brown, Shirley Franco, Amanda Greenwood, Rebecca Hankins, James Lowry, and Jordon Steele; Teresa Mora (Council Liaison); and SAA staff Julie Chyna, Rana Salzmann, and Hannah Stryker

**Unable to attend:** Natalia Fernandez, Sammie Morris, Steven Szegedi, and Bradley Wiles; and Stacie Williams (Publications Editor)

- I. Welcome and Thank You – Amy Cooper Cary
- II. Introduction – Julie Chyna, Assistant Director of Publications. Chyna started the position in December 2025.
- III. Report from Council – Teresa Mora
  - a. February Council Meeting highlights: <https://www2.archivists.org/news/2026/saa-council-february-meeting-highlights>
    - i. The Council approved updates to the Awards Committee on standing rules, consolidating award categories and reducing committee appointments from 60 to 12 while retaining ex-officio representatives.
      1. All Writing and publishing awards will be under a single subcommittee.
    - ii. SAA will be hosting a town hall on April 16 to discuss the development of the **SAA Strategic Plan for 2026–2028**:  
<https://connect.archivists.org/discussion/save-the-date-saa-town-hall-strategic-plan-20262028-update>.
- IV. Board News –
  - a. Amanda Greenwood is taking on the role of Publications Editor
    - i. Greenwood is happy to hear any ideas from the Editorial Board in her new role. She is stepping off the Editorial Board immediately.
  - b. Heather Briston is our new appointee
    - i. Cooper Cary is hoping she will start before the July submissions window.
  - c. Board Annual Meeting – Thursday, May 28 from 1–2:30 PM
    - i. (RSVP here: <https://connect.archivists.org/events/event-description?CalendarEventKey=cf5a2ae5-76f7-4e2b-a93e-019d21ba93aa&Home=%2fevents%2fcalendar>)
  - d. SAA is posting the position of *American Archivist* Editor in mid-April. Council to make final decisions in August

V. Journal Notes –

- a. 89.1 – In process. UX Special Section is featured. “International Perspectives” will publish Rubin and Campos case studies. We have provided a disclaimer at the start of the Journal: “All views expressed in this journal are the authors’ own. They do not represent the views of the Society of American Archivists, the *American Archivist* Editorial Board, the authors’ institutions, or any agency or office of the US government.”
- b. 89.2 – Peer review in process. Cooper Cary will be determining if we need additional reviewers for any of the articles this week. Back up reviewers are lined up.
- c. AI Special Section – Approved. Cooper Cary will meet with the team to revise publications schedule. Recommendations for AI experts at the peer review / writing process were made. If you know AI experts, please contact Cooper Cary and she can pass information on.