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**Delaware Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
Zoom
July 25, 2025**

1. Held a caucus meeting at the spring conference in Harrisburg on May 2 with sixteen attendees. Followed up via email for those who could not be there in person.
2. Hosted the fourth annual Delaware Caucus Summer Picnic at the Hagley Museum and Library picnic pavilion on June 10. Fifteen archivists attended, and some even played lawn games! Thanks to the Finance Committee for the tasty snacks!
3. Welcomed one new member to the caucus and recruited one more.
4. Put out a call for *Mid-Atlantic Archivist* updates and submitted one such item from Hagley Museum and Library in partnership with the University of Delaware.
5. Circulated regular emails about MARAC happenings and regional items of interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane E. Bockrath
Delaware Caucus Representative

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**District of Columbia Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
July 16, 2025**

1. Worked with Chris Hartten in the Music Division of the Library of Congress to invite MARAC colleagues in the D.C., Maryland, and Virginia caucuses to a special event centered around LOC's processing of the Stephen Sondheim Papers. The event took place on Thursday, June 12, from 3-5pm in the Library's James Madison Building. It included a display of Sondheim materials and related musical theater treasures, as well as presentations by Music Division specialist and Sondheim expert Mark Horowitz and archivist Janet McKinney. A tour of division processing followed with a happy hour to round things out for those available to stay later. Approximately 20 persons attended.
2. Welcomed new caucus members with an introductory email.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Speck
D.C. Caucus Representative

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Maryland Caucus Quarterly Report Steering Committee Meeting

July 24, 2025

Attended MARAC Steering Committee Meeting 5/1/25.

Welcomed 4 new MARAC Members to the Maryland Caucus for Apr-Jun 2025.

Emailed news about the MARAC Steering Committee meeting to the Maryland Caucus, and shared several updates before the conference. Helped to promote the DC event at LOC in June.

Activities

- May 2, 2025 - Held joint Maryland/DC in person caucus meeting at the Spring MARAC conference.
 - ~50 attendees

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Gathings
MD Caucus Representative

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**New Jersey Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
July 25, 2025**

1. The New Jersey Caucus has two new members.
2. Attended the MARAC Steering Committee meeting on May 1, 2025.
3. Held the caucus meeting at the spring conference in Harrisburg on May 2, 2025.
4. In collaboration with the Education Committee, hosted a virtual caucus conversation with the Ironbound Community Corporation. The topic was “Community Archiving at the Ironbound Community Corporation.”
5. The Selection Committee—Laura M. Poll, Donald Cornelius, Tara Maharjan, and ex-officio member Diane Biunno—presented the 2025 Innovative Archives Award to the Roebling Museum on June 17, 2025. Lynne Calamia, the Executive Director, accepted the award and gave attendees a tour of the Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Biunno
New Jersey Caucus Representative

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**New York Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
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1. Welcomed 4 new members to the New York Caucus this quarter.
2. Put out a call for *Mid-Atlantic Archivist* updates.
3. Circulated regular emails about MARAC happenings and regional items of interest.
4. Begun planning for the upcoming Caucus Conversation.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa McMullen
New York Caucus Representative

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**Pennsylvania Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
Virtual
July 25, 2025**

1. Welcomed 14 new members since the last Steering meeting
2. Submitted two Caucus news items to the MAA
3. Sent email reminders to the Caucus updating them on the Spring Conference news and upcoming deadlines in June/July (including membership renewal)
4. Passed information about a survey request and questions from a researcher along to the Caucus via email

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Alexander
Pennsylvania Caucus Representative

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Virginia Caucus Report Steering Committee Meeting

July 25, 2025

1. Welcomed 2 new MARAC members to the Virginia Caucus for April-June 2025
2. Attended the MARAC Steering Committee meeting on 5/1//2025
3. Attended the Steering Committee budget meeting on 6/5/2025 and the Virtual Listening Session on Advocacy on 6/6/2025
4. Submitted caucus updates to MAA
5. Provided regular updates to Caucus members regarding MARAC news, events, etc.
6. Hosted the annual Virginia Caucus meeting at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture (VMHC) in Richmond on 6/13/2025. There were tours of both the VMHC as well as the library of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. Thirty-Four archivists attended. Thanks to Sara and Amy for their great work with the registration forms and providing financial support for the box lunches!

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Bookman
Virginia Caucus Representative

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**West Virginia Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
July 18, 2025**

1. There were no new members to the West Virginia Caucus for this quarter.
2. Work has begun again on adapting the existing draft Abandoned Property law and on discussing which lawmaker we should approach to look at getting it introduced in the next state session.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Musgrave
West Virginia Caucus Representative