

Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference
Business Meeting
Saturday October 18, 2014
Baltimore, MD

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order – the meeting was called to order at 8:20 am.
- II. Approval of the Agenda – the agenda was approved by the membership.
- III. Approval of Spring Business Meeting Minutes – the minutes were approved by the membership.
- IV. Chair’s Report
 - a. Meeting model
 - i. A task force was formed to evaluate the MARAC meeting model and how the meetings are fulfilling members’ needs.
 - ii. Some changes in the near future include the suggestion of doing service projects at future meetings. This is already planned for the Spring 2015 meeting in Boston.
 - b. Regional Archival Associations Consortium
 - i. RAAC endorses a collection match resource, which would allow cultural heritage professionals to direct donors to appropriate institutions. There will be an article on this in the Fall Mid-Atlantic Archivist. RAAC are currently seeking development partners.
 - c. CAPES Program celebrating its 25th anniversary.
 - i. Brief overview of program.
 - ii. Announced that at the statewide New Jersey’s forum in November celebrating 350 years of statehood, the New Jersey Caucus will be recognized.
 - iii. MARAC commends the service of the NJ Caucus, CAPES, and those who have served as CAPES assessors.
 - iv. Fred Pachman recognized the CAPES assessors here today: Elsalynn Palmisano, Elizabeth Shepard, Laura Poll, Lisa Mangiafico, Christie Lutz, Dan Linke, Alan Delozier, and Karl Niederer. The program has been a major factor in preserving collections in New Jersey. Thanks to the assessors for their work, and to MARAC for the recognition.
 - d. Ad hoc Committee on Bylaws Revisions
 - i. MARAC is embarking on a process to examine and evaluate how MARAC governs itself, and explore the best way to do that going forward.
 - ii. Based on petition signatures, the Committee has the approval to move forward with the process.
 - iii. Town Hall meeting last night – found that the timeline for the process should be extended. There will be a first reading of the new draft

document at the Boston Spring 2015 meeting, with a second and final reading at the Roanoke Fall 2015 meeting. Following that, the proposed new bylaws will be voted upon.

- V. Vice Chair's Report
 - a. Welcome to Baltimore! Final attendance is 382.
 - b. Upcoming meetings:
 - Boston, MA, March 19-21, 2015. Boston Park Plaza, room rate is \$159.
 - Spring 2015, the joint NEA meeting in Boston at the Park Plaza.
 - Fall 2015, October 8-11, Roanoke, VA. Hotel Roanoke, room rate is \$172.
 - Spring 2016 will be in Pittsburgh, PA.
 - c. Thanks yous to the MCC, PC and LAC.
 - d. If you want MARAC to come to your home town contact Mary!
 - e. Memory of archivist and MARAC member Karen Stuart.
- VI. Treasurer's Report
 - a. MAA contains recent financial reports, but in the most recent issue the quarters are reversed.
 - b. Bank balances are healthy. Income is steady. Good registrations for this meeting, as well as 13 exhibitors and 8 sponsors. 1,002 dues-paying MARAC members in all.
 - c. Next issue of MAA will include detailed 1st Quarter report.
- VII. Awards Announcements and Presentations
 - a. Arline Custer Memorial Award. Article award winner: Aaron D. Purcell. Book award winners: Arthur Kiron, ed., and Andrea Gottschalk, artistic editor.
 - a. C. Herbert Finch Award winner: Trevor Owens.
 - b. Scholarships & Travel Awards. 5 awards funded by MARAC, 2 funded by an anonymous donor in memory of Karen Stuart. Marsha Trimble Award: Jamie Smith. Additional winners: Elizabeth Surles, Amy Roberts, Kelsey Conway, Cale McCammon, Caitlin Walker, and Michael Maloney.
 - c. Service Awards were awarded to Susan Kline, Geof Huth, Geoff Williams, Lori Birrell, Brian Keough, Laurie Rizzo, and Jim Gerenscer.
 - d. Distinguished Service Award was given to Ben Primer.
- II. Old Business
 - a. None
- III. New Business
 - a. None
- IV. Invitation to the Spring 2015 Conference in Boston, MA.

- V. Announcements and Adjournment
- a. Outreach & Membership Development Committees distributed raffle prizes. Announced that MARAC is exploring possibly redesigning its logo. A survey for members to comment on several proposed redesigns will be sent within a few weeks.
 - b. Motion was made to adjourn the meeting the meeting; adjourned at 9:27 am.