

Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference
Business Meeting
Saturday October 10, 2015
Roanoke, VA

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order – the meeting was called to order at 8:33 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, with one correction – Geoffrey Huth’s name was misspelled.
- IV. Chair’s Report
 - a. Ad Hoc Committee for the Revision of the MARAC Governing Documents – This morning, we will be voting to move forward this final proposed version. An email to the membership will be sent out for a yes/no vote no later than October 23.
 - b. Appointed a new *Mid-Atlantic Archivist* Editor – Jodi Boyle.
 - c. MARAC provided disaster relief support to Somerset County Historical Society.
 - d. Created a Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion.
 - e. Would like increased member participation in governance and operations. Many positions will be open in the 2016 elections; encourages membership to run and serve.
 - f. MARAC needs to be and is exploring creative ways to combat rising costs of conferences. If we want to meet our mission, we really need financial health and stability.
- V. Vice Chair’s Report
 - a. On behalf of the Meetings Coordinating Committee, welcome to Roanoke!
 - b. Upcoming meetings:
 - Spring 2016 will be in Pittsburgh, PA. Omni William Penn Hotel, room rate \$159.
 - Annapolis Fall 2016 in Annapolis, MD. Westin Annapolis, room rate \$189.
 - Spring 2017 in Newark, NJ. Best Western Robert Treat Hotel, room rate \$125.
 - Tentatively going to Buffalo after that.
 - c. Local Arrangements Co-Chairs Beth Harris and Linda Angle Miller – thanks to the committee members.
 - d. Vice Chair thanks Emily Rafferty, Don Cornelius, David Ranzan, and Laurie Sather.
 - e. Program Committee Co-Chairs Elizabeth Caringola and Jessica Johnson – thanks to the committee members, LAC, Tammy Hoffman, and Mary Mannix.

- VI. Treasurer's Report
- a. MARAC lost over \$18,000 last year.
 - b. The organization has not raised dues since 1999, and has kept registration costs pretty low. It is likely that going forward, MARAC will have to increase some charges for member services.
- VII. Awards Announcements and Presentations
- a. Arline Custer Award – presented by Laura Stoner to John Delaney.
 - b. C. Herbert Finch Award – presented by Cara Griggs and John Woods to West Chester University's *Goin' North* website.
 - c. Scholarships & Travel Awards – presented by Laurie Sather. Karen A. Stuart Award: Marian Currens. Additional winners: Elizabeth Beckman and Matthew Thompson.
 - d. Service Awards were presented by Mary Mannix to John LeGloahec, Jennifer McDaid, Sharmila Bhatia, Katy Rawdon, Emily Rafferty, Don Cornelius, Brian Keough, Robin Emrich, Ilhan Citak, and David Ranzen.
 - e. Nominations & Elections. A number of positions will be open for the 2016 election.
- VIII. Old Business
- a. Ad Hoc Committee on MARAC Bylaws Revision
 - Presenting the final version of bylaw revisions that has been approved by Steering. This was previously sent to members by email.
 - Call for amendments – Movement to amend Article 1 by adding at the end of the sentence “or MARAC.” - approved.
 - Vote to move these proposed bylaws to full membership for voting – approved.
 - Within 15 days of this vote, an email will be sent to full membership asking for a yes/no vote. A special committee will be appointed to tally ballots. If passed, a special transition committee will be implemented. If passed, the revised bylaws will go into effect July 1, 2016.
 - Chair thanks Lisa and the other committee members, as well as Parliamentarian.
- IX. New Business
- a. None
- X. Invitation to the Spring 2016 Conference in Pittsburgh PA.
- XI. Announcements and Adjournment
- a. No announcements.
 - b. Motion was made to adjourn the meeting; adjourned at 9:37 am.