

**Society of American Archivists
Council Meeting
February 2 - 4, 2010
Washington, D.C.**

**Report of the Executive Committee
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Council Interim Actions

The following actions were taken by the Council via a formal online discussion and voting process between August 2009 and January 2010:

- Agreed to publicize SAA awards in advance of the Awards Ceremony (September 11, 2009)
- Created a 75th Anniversary Task Force (September 22, 2009)
- Adopted the August 2009 minutes (September 28, 2009)
- Approved the petition to establish an SAA Student Chapter at New York University (October 8, 2009)
- Adopted a change in the structure of the Membership Committee (December 2, 2009)
- Approved the petition to establish an SAA Student Chapter at Drexel University (January 11, 2010)

Executive Committee Actions

The following actions were taken by the SAA Executive Committee between August 2009 and January 2010.

- Agreed with Peter Gottlieb's recommendation that Scott Cline be appointed to a two-year term as liaison to the Academy of Certified Archivists, as specified in the Governance Manual.
- Agreed to sign on to an OpenTheGovernment.org letter praising Senator Leahy's long-standing defense of the Freedom of Information Act.
- Received notification from Nancy Beaumont of a personnel termination related to efficiencies gained with implementation of MemberMax. Beaumont continues to evaluate staffing needs and will determine whether it will be necessary to fill a changed position, hire temporary staff to assist during DC 2010 registration and other peak periods, or pursue other options.

- Submitted comments and met via conference call to consider Strategic Plan drafts.
- Discussed ways in which to develop and implement a Diversity Award.
- Considered what actions might be appropriate in response to concerns that Howard University's Moorland-Spingarn Research Center might be closed.
- Reviewed a Texas State Library and Archives/AASLH request for SAA involvement in their proposal to IMLS for a "Connecting to Collections" Statewide Implementation Grant (with a tight deadline). SAA staff offered general information about our webinar processes and will continue to serve as a resource if their project is funded.
- Reviewed Gottlieb letter to American Library Association synthesizing SAA groups' comments about ALA's Traditional Cultural Expressions document (distributed to the Council).