

**Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference
Business Meeting
Saturday, October 22, 2011
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania**

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:43am.

II. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

III. Approval of the Fall 2010 and Spring 2011 Meeting Minutes

The minutes for both the Fall 2010 and Spring 2011 meetings were approved with corrections.

IV. Chair's Report

Disaster Assistance Fund applications were received following the hurricanes this year. Three grants were awarded: Museum of the Confederacy, \$200; Old Fort Johnson, \$2,000; and Slate Valley Museum, \$1,500. Although balance of the fund was not enough to fully fund these awards, Steering approved funding with the intent of raising funds to cover the difference. Fund raising efforts at this meeting have raised \$500 and Gaylord has contributed \$500 to cover shortage in Disaster Assistance Fund in funding these awards. The Development Committee approached several vendors, and Gaylord was the one vendor to respond. An email will be going out with more details about the Disaster Assistance Fund and how to contribute.

Next year is the 40th anniversary of MARAC. To recognize this achievement, scholarship offerings will be increased to forty over the year.

MARAC Technical Leaflets are now available online.

MARAC Blog is getting ready to go live. An announcement regarding the blog is forthcoming and members are encouraged to contribute.

V. Vice Chair's Report

The Bethlehem meeting had 286 registrations.

Next meeting: Cape May, NJ - April 12-14, 2012. Room rate: \$159

Upcoming meetings: Fall 2012 - Richmond, VA, October 25-27; Spring 2013 - possibly Erie, PA.

Thank yous were extended to: Emily Rafferty, Program Editor; Lindsay Loeper and Susan Kline, Workshop Coordinators; Kate Colligan and Valerie-Anne Lutz, Program Committee Co-Chairs; and Ilhan Citak and Diane Windham Shaw, Local Arrangements Committee Co-Chairs.

VI. Treasurer's Report

The balance of the Education Fund has exceeded \$100,000.

Donations are encouraged to all of the MARAC funds including Education, Disaster Assistance, Finch Award, and the 40th Anniversary Fund.

VIII. Announcements and Awards

a. Custer Award and Finch Award

The Arline Custer Memorial Award for Books goes to Douglas L. Frost for his book, *MICA: Making History / Making Art*.

The Custer Award for Articles goes to Mary Beth Corrigan for her article "'Whether they be ours or no, they may be heirs of the kingdom': The Pursuit of Family Ties among Enslaved People in the District of Columbia," published in *In the Shadow of Freedom* (Athens, OH: Ohio University Press, spring 2011).

The C. Herbert Finch Award goes to Columbia University's Butler Library for the web site "1968: Columbia in Crisis" (<https://ldpd.lamp.columbia.edu/omeka/exhibits/show/1968>)

b. Scholarship and Travel Awards

The Marsha Trimble Scholarship Award is presented to Sara Lichtenfeld, photography archivist, Smith School of Business, University of Maryland - \$400

Travel Awards were presented to: Molly Tighe, archivist, Mattress Factory Museum of Contemporary Art - \$250; and Natalie Bauer, project cataloger, Delaware Historical Society - free conference registration

Next year, there will be 18 travel awards given out next year.

Modern Archives Institute scholarship deadline is November 15, 2011. Two awards will be given.

c. Service Awards

Mary Mannix presented the awards in the absence of David Rose, Chair of the Outreach Committee.

Service awards were presented to: Erin Corley and Gina Rappaport for their service as Program Committee Chairs for the Spring 2011 Meeting; Jeff Flannary and John LeGloahec for their service as Local Arrangements Committee Co-Chairs; for the Spring 2011 and Cheryl Stadel-Bevans for her service as Program Editor for the Spring 2011 Meeting.

d. Distinguished Service Awards

The deadline for nominations for the Distinguished Service Award is February 16, 2012. Further information is on the web site.

IX. Old Business

a. Change to By-Laws, Section 8

The change was voted upon and passed with a majority.

X. New Business

There was no new business.

XI. Invitation to Cape May

XII. Announcements and Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:43am.