

Massachusetts State Historical Records Advisory Board

January 13, 2016

10:30 am to 12:30pm

Massachusetts Archives

220 Morrissey Boulevard

Boston, MA 02155

Attendance:

Rob Cox; Gloria Greis; Penni Martorell; Veronica Martzahl (Deputy Coordinator and Secretary); Dan McCormack; Gregor Trinkaus-Randall; Kaari Mai Tari; Anthony Vaver; Jack Warner (Coordinator)

Guests:

Rachel Onuf; Nancy Maida; Michael Comeau

Absent:

Pleun Bouricius; Cliff McCarthy

Introductions

The group introduced themselves and welcomed two new members, Anthony Vaver and Gloria Greis.

Oath of Office

Commissioners to Qualify Applicants Nancy Maida and Michael Comeau witnessed the oath from renewing and new members to the Archives Advisory Commission and Massachusetts State Historical Records Advisory Board

- Veronica Martzahl – 3 year member
- Daniel McCormack – 2 year member
- Penni Martorell – 2 year alternate
- Anthony Vaver – 1 year alternate
- Robert Cox - 1 year member
- Gloria Greis – 1 year alternate

Two member were unable to attend and will need to be sworn in within 90 days of date of appointment (January 4, 2016.)

- Pleun Bouricius – 3 year alternate
- Clifford McCarthy – 1 year member

Roving Archivist Updates

Rachel Onuf sent out a written report to the group prior to the meeting. Rachel also asked the group to provide guidance to Leverett regarding the appropriate items for inclusion in a regrant application.

Specifically, Leverett was interested in requesting funding for a laptop and shelving. The group approved the idea of shelving.

Rachel also talked about her role within the SHRAB as the Roving Archivist and the group discussed the goals of NHPRC in relation to what we are approving.

She also updated the group on the Longfellow CPC funding grant and town clerks.

Grant Updates – current

There is currently \$3,550 available for regrants that needs to be dispersed within this grant period, by the end of March, 2016.

Promotion of Programs

The group discussed the continued need to improve promotion of the Roving Archivist and Regrant programs.

Action Items:

Rehit listservs

- Tables at NEA and Digital Commonwealth conference
- Update the dates on the forms
- PBHN announcement
- Get rid of DUNS off Roving Archivist form and update number
- Follow up with other
- NEA newsletter? – reach out SHRAB article
- Table at MA clerks – Devens
- NEMA state reps

Grant Updates – future

Veronica Martzahl passed out a copy of the revised grant budget for review by the group.

Conference

The joint conference between Mass Humanities and the SHRAB is confirmed for June 13, 2016 at the College of Holy Cross in Worcester.

Statewide Directory of Cultural Institutions

Rob Cox provided a demonstration of the Commonwealth Historical Collaborate catablog at chc.library.umass.edu.

The group discussed features of the blog and how to proceed with populating the content.

Strategic Plan

The group discussed updating the content of the strategic plan brochure. After some discussion the decision was made to move the discussion online.

Next Meeting

March 9, 2016

10:30 am

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