

**SOA Council Meeting—Conference Call (Council only)**  
**December 11, 2019**  
**2:00 – 3:00 PM**

**Attendees:** Lily Birkhimer, Mark Bloom, Sherri Goudy, Betsy Hedler, Robin Heise, Stacey Lavender, Cate Putirskis, Amy Rohmiller, Adam Wantner

**Welcome**

President Adam Wantner called the meeting to order at 2:02 P.M.

**Between-Meeting Council Actions**

- 9/27/19—Lily Birkhimer made a motion to approve minutes from 8/8/19 Council Meeting. Motion seconded, carried—minutes added to website
- 10/9/19—Adam Wantner motioned to appoint Stephanie Shreffler to the position of Awards Committee co-chair. Motion seconded, carried.
- 10/24/19—Adam Wantner motioned to accept the language of the bylaw revisions and the language of waiving of the bylaws, to bring to a membership vote. Motion seconded, carried.
- 10/25/19—Amy Rohmiller motioned to accept the proposal for a Dayton-area SOA meet-up on November 14. Motioned seconded, carried.
- 11/14/19—Bylaws revision votes passed; first question 38 Y to 4 N; second question 37 Y to 5 N; waiver vote 33 to 9 in favor.
- 11/18/19—Lily Birkhimer motioned to continue SOA's sponsorship of two awards in the amount of \$200 total at the annual State History Day contest for 2020. Motion seconded, carried.

**New Business**

1. Special Election Results
  - a. Stacey Lavender has accepted a job in Virginia so will no longer serve on SOA. Thank you for your service, Stacey! With regard to the bylaw waiver, the two Council members (Cate and Sherri) who have completed their 2018-2020 term will roll off following the 2020 Annual Meeting. Amy will remain for the completion of her term, and one new Council member will be elected, bringing the number on Council in line with current bylaws moving forward.
  - b. Adam motioned to accept the November election results and update language on the SOA website. Motion seconded and was carried. Bylaw document will be updated online and election results will be posted as well as distributed in *Ohio Archivist*.
2. EPC Co-Chair
  - a. Amy Czubak stepped down as EPC Co-chair as of 11/26/19. Bill Modrow (Miami University), a longtime EPC committee member, has expressed interest in serving as chair. Adam motioned to appoint Bill to co-chair, motion seconded, carried.
3. Call for nominations
  - a. Nominating Committee will be sending out a call for nominations the day after Christmas—responses are due to Robin by January 10 so slate can be determined by end of January.
4. SOA Mentoring Program

- a. Matt Francis shared SOA Mentoring Program evaluation/proposal by email to Council listserv—Adam will resend for any discussion (which can also take place at the upcoming January Council meeting)
5. Dayton-area SOA meetup
    - a. Initial event was well-received—what are the next steps to keep it going?
    - b. Interest was also expressed outside of the Dayton area for similar opportunities (central Ohio in particular). This effort may also be a good recruiting tool as the meet-ups are a good way for non-members (students, especially) to connect with SOA and those working in the field.
    - c. In order to expand, this initiative will fall under the umbrella of the Advocacy and Outreach Committee. Adam will reach out to co-chairs to work on what this coordination looks like, with possible collaboration between Membership and A&O.

#### **Upcoming meetings**

Late January (Date TBD)—full leadership

#### **Adjournment**

Adam called the meeting to a close at 2:20 P.M.