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The following minutes are presented in draft form for informational purposes only. Membership will vote to approve this draft at the 2018 Members’ Meeting.

President Jennifer Johnson called the Annual Members’ Meeting of the Midwest Archives Conference to order at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, April 7, 2017, at the Hilton Omaha in Omaha, Nebraska.

A quorum was present.

The agenda was approved as presented. Minutes of the April 29, 2016, Annual Members’ Meeting were approved as presented.

Presentation of 2017 Awards

On behalf of the Presidents’ Award Committee, Tanya Zanish-Belcher presented the award to Susan Mulheron and Joseph Kueppers, chancellors of the Archdiocese of Minneapolis and St. Paul.

On behalf of the Emeritus Membership Award Committee, Alexis Braun Marks presented the award to Cheri Thies, and Colleen McFarland Rademaker presented the award to Mark Greene.

On behalf of the Emeritus Scholarship for First-Time MAC Meeting Attendees, Cheri Thies presented the award to Hannah Weber.

On behalf of the Archie Motley Memorial Scholarship for Minority Students, Lara Friedman-Shedlov presented awards to Chido Muchemwa and Jessica Tai.

On behalf of the Louisa Bowen Memorial Graduate Scholarship, Shaun Hayes presented the award to Tre-shani Perera.

Other Acknowledgments and Recognitions

President Johnson thanked the 2017 Program and Local Arrangement Committees, as well as outgoing committee chairs, and voting and ex officio members of Council. She welcomed new members of Council and committee chairs.

On behalf of the governor of Nebraska, Paul Eiseleffel bestowed on President Johnson the honorary title of Nebraska Admiral, Nebraska’s highest honor.

Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer Joel Thoreson provided a detailed report on MAC’s financial status. He noted that MAC ended its 2016 fiscal year with a general fund budget deficit of $11,666.59. However, with the growth of invested funds, the bottom line showed a growth of $1,398.38.

The 2017 general fund budget projects a deficit of $10,888. However, Thoreson noted that much depends on membership renewals at the end of the year. He indicated that Council may consider presenting a dues increase to the membership in 2018.

President’s Report

President Johnson delivered her final report to the membership. She discussed the following: the 2017 election during which 31 percent of eligible individual members voted; a records retention schedule approved by Council earlier in the week; diversity and inclusion goals and activities; an upcoming MAC census; declining membership; and the need to consider increases both in membership dues and in Annual Meeting registration fees. She thanked the membership for the opportunity to serve.

Vice President’s Report

Vice President Moore thanked the 2017 Program and Local Arrangement Committees, the Education Committee, and AMC. He provided information about the 2017 Fall Symposium to be held in Columbus, Ohio, from October 13 to 14. He introduced Dana Lamparello and Morgen MacIntosh Hodgetts of the 2018 Local Arrangements Committee, who gave a brief presentation promoting the Annual Meeting to be held in Chicago, Illinois, March 21–24.

President Johnson invited incoming president David McCartney to the podium to close the meeting. There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Michael Doylen  
Secretary