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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 2017 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 29, 2016, at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. A quorum was present. The agenda was approved as presented. Minutes of the May 8, 2015, annual business meeting were approved as presented.

Presentation of 2016 Awards
John Fleckner, chair of the Editorial Board, presented the Margaret Cross Norton Award to Colleen Hobbs, whose article, “Finding Your Family in Federal Record Group 33.6,” appeared in volume 36, number 2 of Archival Issues. He then presented the New Authors Award to Carol Street, whose article, “Indiana Architecture X 3D,” appeared in the same issue.

On behalf of the Presidents’ Award Committee, Tanya Zanish-Belcher presented the award to the Abilities Center of Greater Toledo and Cincinnati’s Urban Appalachian Council (represented by Michael Maloney, Thomas Wagner, and Phillip Obermiller).

On behalf of the Membership Committee, Alexis Braun Marks presented the Emeritus Member Award to Richard Pifer.

On behalf of the Emeritus Scholarship for First-Time Meeting Attendees Committee, Paul Eisloeffel presented awards to Laurel Rhame and Derek Potts.

On behalf of the Archie Motley Memorial Scholarship for Minority Students Committee, Alison Stankrauff presented awards to Coral Salomon and Ayoola White.

On behalf of the Louisa Bowen Memorial Graduate Scholarship Committee, Shaun Hayes presented the award to Mark Prindiville.

President Jennifer Johnson presented Student Poster Awards to the following: first place—Scott Witmer and Kyle Rimkus, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; second place—Molly McBride, University of Wisconsin–Madison; and honorable mention—Margaret Spiegel, Samantha Malachik, and Samantha Schwarz, University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee.

She also presented New Professionals Poster Awards to the following: first place—Samantha Crisp, Augustana College; second place—Charles Hosale, University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee; and honorable mention—Julie Hatfield, University of Wisconsin–Stout.

Other Acknowledgments and Recognitions
President Johnson thanked the 2016 Program Committee and Local Arrangement Committees, as well as outgoing committee chairs, voting, and ex officio members of Council. She welcomed new members of Council and committee chairs.

Treasurer’s Report
Treasurer Joel Thoreson provided a detailed report on MAC’s financial status. He noted that MAC ended its 2015 fiscal year with a surplus of $2,681.92. This is $17,468.00 better than expected. The 2016 budget projects a $1,078.00 surplus.

MemberClicks Issues
President Johnson summarized the MemberClicks issues that necessitated a recount of 2016 election returns, which were fully described in an e-mail message sent to members on April 26. She described the steps taken to address the situation and ensure an accurate vote count. She also described the steps that Council will undertake to ensure such an incident does not happen in the future, which include setting a firm membership renewal date and preventing lapsed members from participating in the election and other membership privileges, and establishing a committee to review all aspects of election policies and procedures. She welcomed questions from the floor.

President’s Report
President Johnson delivered her report to the membership. She discussed accomplishments over the last year, including development of a strategic plan to guide MAC through 2020. The plan addresses issues related to membership, continuing education offerings, publications, marketing and outreach, and administration. She thanked the membership for the opportunity to serve.

Vice President’s Report
Vice President McCartney thanked the 2016 Program and
Local Arrangement Committees. McCartney provided information about the 2016 Fall Symposium to be held in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He introduced Amy Schindler and Paul Eisloeffel of the 2017 Local Arrangements Committee, who gave a brief presentation promoting the Annual Meeting to be held in Omaha, Nebraska. McCartney thanked membership for the opportunity to serve.

President Johnson made closing announcements. There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Michael Doylen
Secretary

As usual, the vendors kept meeting attendees' interest during the breaks.