

Richard III Society – American Branch
Board Meeting
January 28, 2018; 5:00 PM, est

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Meeting attended by: **Deborah Kaback, Emily Ferro, Cheryl Greer, Joanne Smith, Compton Reeves, Joan Szechtman, Susan Troxel**

- I. Compton – Addressing Treasurer Position
 - a. Joanne’s resignation will be printed in the Bulletin.
 - i. Article should address the position needing to be filled.
 - ii. Note that the 2-year terms are up and members can put their name in for consideration for these positions.
 - iii. Article will encourage members to run for the board in two years.
 1. Prevent mass exodus by advertising for 2020 now.
 2. Possibly print an article about our roles to make them more accessible.
 3. Feature this at the 2019 GMM because those members are already active.
 - b. Where should nominations go?
 - i. Should be sent to one person, who will post nominations to the rest of the board.
 - c. Two-year terms can be renewed.
 - d. Other board members intend to renew their term.
- II. Can we get our bylaws transformed into PDF format?
- III. Compton - GMM
 - a. We have almost everything set.
 - b. We do not have a link for online hotel registration.
 - i. Email kept failing.
- IV. Compton – Schalleck Update
 - a. The agreement with the Medieval Academy runs for 5 years.
 - i. Initially in 2004; renewed in 2009, 2014, and will be again in 2019?
 - ii. We can’t change the rules before 2019.
 - b. Amount of funds available has increased to ~\$1.5 million.
 - c. A committee of 4 people reviews applications for the award.
 - i. Compton has volunteered to join the committee at the next available time.
 - d. How are the Schalleck Awards given?
 - i. The information is given through the Medieval Academy.
 - ii. We should also replicate that information in the *Register*?
 1. Also on our website.

- iii. Compton will contact the Medieval Academy to ask them to send our webmaster information about the award to be put on our site.
 - iv. A desire to cultivate applications for the award that are not literature-centric?
 - 1. We want people to study our area of interest
- V. Susan – Surplus *Registers* and *Bulletins*
- a. The library has grown exponentially over the years.
 - i. Sold excess books and donated books she did not sell.
 - b. Send an email blast to our members offering backlog of the journals.
 - i. Probably will only eliminate a few.
 - ii. Dispose of journals that are not redistributed.
 - c. January 1, 2019 end date.
 - d. Should we digitize the materials?
 - i. Would be worthwhile.
 - ii. Susan will look into digitizing services.
 - 1. Would we get a deal as a non-profit?
 - iii. “Retro” section in the *Register*.
 - 1. Reprint old material once the documents are digitally archived.
- VI. Joan – Annual Report
- a. Board members to send reports to Joan before the end of February.
 - b. Reports will be a supplemental flyer sent with the *Register*.
 - c. Include a “delta report” for the GMM to remove some of the burden from the Treasurer to create an annual report halfway through the year.
- VII. Cheryl - Membership
- a. Membership took a hit after the reinternment, but we seem to have stabilized.
 - i. Holding steady around 365.

Meeting concludes. 5:54 PM, est.

Next quarterly call April 22, 2018 at 5:00 PM, est.