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During this period one board member, Keith Corman resigned for personal reasons. With this exception the Board membership remained current (see Appendix A Board Roster). It followed the plan of work agreed upon during the June 2001 Strategic Planning Retreat and met twice during this period. The Board elected not to convene as scheduled on the 23rd of August. The minutes of the Board's meeting on June 14th and the draft minutes of the October 9th meeting are attached as Appendixes B and C.

During the June 14th Board meeting the Board recommended the spending of the remainder of NHPRC funds as outlined in the "Proposal for the Use of NHPRC Funds to Implement the Ohio 2003 Plan" (attached as Appendix D) with one change. This change is that a report be produced that provides a method of creating bibliographic records of the local government records of enduring historical value held by the Ohio Network of American History Research Centers, the County Archivists and Records Managers Association institutions, and Ohio's counties. Due to an administrative error the minutes of the June 14th meeting do not document a vote taken on this matter. This error was rectified by a Board vote via email. The Board voted 13 to 1 to accept the "Proposal for the Use of NHPRC Funds to Implement the Ohio 2003 Plan" with the June 14th change.

The Board also discussed the Utley grant proposal and plans for a Bicentennial Forum on Ohio's Historical Records during the June meeting. The "Draft Proposal for a Bicentennial Forum on Ohio's Historical Records" is attached as Appendix E. The Board created a Sub-committee comprised of Barbara Floyd (chair), Charles Arp, Roland Baumann, Raimund Goerler, Julie McMaster, and David Larson to plan the forum. That Sub-committee met on August 8th to begin preliminary planning of the Forum (Report of the Sub-committee attached as Appendix F).

During the October 9th meeting the Board discussed the Bicentennial Forum concept at length with the title of the Forum, speakers, and dates being issues of debate. There being no consensus on the title of the Forum, the matter was tabled to the OHARB list for further discussion. The date for the Forum was set for September 26th, 2003.

The Board also received an update on the progress of the Ohio Memory Project by Elizabeth Nelson and a report of the Ohio Network of American History Research Center's Sub-committee on Access (attached as Appendix G).

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