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## **From OHRAB**

Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board Minutes, 12 March 2004 Ohio Historical Center Columbus

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Charlie Arp, Roland Baumann, John Fleming, Barbara Floyd, Raimund Goerler, Mike Lucas, and George Parkinson.

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Ronald Koetters, Julie McMaster, Jim Oda, Kermit Pike and Carol Tomer.

STAFF PRESENT: Katherine Goliver

This meeting was held in conjuncture with the Ohio Historical Society Board of Trustees meeting. Bill Laidlaw, Executive Director, welcomed OHRAB and asked George Parkinson, Acting State Coordinator, to introduce his colleagues.

Grant Douglas, President, introduced Raimund Goerler and Barbara Floyd as the spokespersons for OHRAB. Goerler, who went first, thanked the trustees for the opportunity to describe what the board did and why it was important.

Goerler explained that the board was formulating a strategic plan that would serve as a guide for historical records related activities in Ohio through 2010. In presenting a draft of the plan at this time, the objective was to harmonize activities of the board with those of the Society. He emphasized the importance of the board as a facilitator for National Historical Publications and Records Commission funds being made accessible to the citizens of Ohio. He related recent instances of board members advocacy on the Society's behalf with state legislators for improved funding, and he highlighted the success of the statewide records conference, The Future of Our Past, held in September 2003.

Barbara Floyd then reviewed in detail The Draft Ohio 2010 Strategic Plan. Based on the 2003 plan, adopted in 1995, this plan has some continuous goals but also reflects changes in the archival environment. She described how the plan will be shared with conference participants and asked for input from the trustees. A lively discussion ensued between the board and trustees.

Afterwards, the board met separately in the Archives/Library Conference Room to review events of the day and discuss the next steps to be taken in promulgating the new plan.

It was moved by Charles Arp and seconded by Roland Baumann that the Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board expresses its thanks, in the form of a resolution, to the Ohio Historical Society's Board of Trustees and request that this acknowledgement be suitably conveyed to them. The motion was unanimously passed.

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It was moved by Charles Arp and seconded by John Fleming that the next meeting be held on 18 June in Cincinnati. The motion was unanimously passed.

It was moved by Roland Baumann and seconded by John Fleming to thank Raimund Goerler and Barbara Floyd on their work on today's presentation. The motion was unanimously passed.

It was moved by Charles Arp and seconded by John Fleming that there being no further business to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously passed.

George Parkinson thanked everyone for their time and attendance. Meeting was adjourned at 12:30.

Respectfully submitted,

William K. Laidlaw State Coordinator

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