



**Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
15 August 2020**

Present: Tim Lacy, Sara Georgini, Andrew Klumpp, Richard Cándida Smith, Peter Kuryla, Ray Haberski, Michael Kramer

The members of the S-USIH Executive Committee met on Saturday, 15 August 2020, from 11:30am-1pm EST, via Zoom. Officers submitted precirculated reports.

The 18 July 2020 meeting minutes, as submitted and revised by Georgini, were unanimously approved.

As president, Lacy summarized his letter to the S-USIH membership outlining organizational goals and calling for volunteers for one new standing committee (Nominating) and two new ad hoc committees (Publications Platform Revision; Bylaws & Constitutional Review). The creation of these committees was unanimously approved.

As secretary, Georgini reported that we record 765 active members in our Wild Apricot database. We also have 2,760 members in our Facebook group, and 2,873 followers on Twitter. In other secretary news, Georgini drafted minutes, managed the Society's social media channels, and sent out members' emails to recap blog content, share prize announcements, and communicate conference updates. Georgini solicited content for the Members' Notes email. The S-USIH Code of Professional Conduct for all officially sanctioned onsite and virtual activities and events, as presented by Georgini, was unanimously approved by the committee pending legal review.

As #USIH2020 conference chair, Georgini reported on continued progress made regarding money and tech needs, scholarly content, and partnerships. Georgini also summarized a meeting with American Historical Association leadership and Andrew Klumpp, covering webinar protocols and the drafting of a code of professional conduct. The itemized #USIH2020 conference budget, as presented by Georgini, was discussed and unanimously affirmed.

As treasurer, Klumpp reported on the Society's continued good health, with solid reserves to manage our conference expenses and adjust for revenue lost from registration.

As #USIH2021 conference chair, Kuryla reported on discussions with the venue host regarding fall 2021 events and public health guidelines.

As publications chair, Cándida Smith and Michael Kramer presented a proposal for a new webpage/new USIH publication featuring long-form content. The committee discussed the proposed editorial focus, staffing, peer review, budget, commenting/feedback function, and technical logistics. The committee will continue to consider the project.

The committee agreed to table three additional agenda items—appointment of a social media editor, establishment of a Society archivist, and possible pay for USIH bloggers—for further discussion at a future meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

The Executive Committee meets next on Saturday, 19 September 2020.