



**Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
17 October 2020**

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

The members of the S-USIH Executive Committee met on Saturday, 17 October 2020, from 11:30am-1pm EST, via Zoom. Some officers submitted precirculated reports.

In an email vote of 25 September 2020, the Executive Committee approved making SUSIH a signatory to the American Historical Association's September 2020 "Statement on the Recent 'White House Conference on American History.'"

The 19 September 2020 meeting minutes, as submitted by Georgini, were unanimously approved.

As president, Lacy summarized his work filling USIH prize committees. ExComm members held an extensive discussion about the desired composition of these committees, with a focus on upholding institutional principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

As secretary, Georgini reported that we record 781 active members in our Wild Apricot database. We also have 2,800+ members in our Facebook group, and 3,068 followers on Twitter. Georgini drafted minutes, managed the Society's social media channels, sent Members' Notes emails, and advertised for the Social Media Coordinator position.

As #USIH2020 chair, Georgini reported on the continued success of our ongoing conference. We chose to produce all video content with the aid of webmaster Kyle Larkin and Extra Small Design, at a significant savings of Society funds. Georgini noted that USIH received very generous donations from some of our 250+ #USIH2020 attendees to date. The program committee meets next in December, to review and implement edits before spring kickoff on 1/11/21. They are finalizing partnerships and blog publications with AAIHS, SAAP, OIHEAC, Oxford University Press, UVA Press, Penn Press, *Contingent*, and more.

As treasurer, Klumpp reported on the Society's continued good health, with solid funds to cover conference expenses and a generous amount available in our general fund. Klumpp confirmed that all invoices and taxes were paid to date.

As publications chair, Cándida Smith shared meeting plans and goals for the publications platform revision ad hoc committee.

As #USIH2021 chair, Kuryla reported on venue availability, conference theme, projected accommodations, proposed panels, and keynote speakers. The committee considered various meeting formats and opportunities, in light of public health guidance (local and federal) related to ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and will revisit the planning discussion at future meetings.

The meeting was adjourned.

The Executive Committee reconvenes on Saturday, 7 November 2020, at the Annual Business Meeting.