



**Executive Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
10 March 2021**

Present: Tim Lacy, Sara Georgini, Andrew Klumpp, Peter Kuryla, Benjamin Alpers, Ray Haberski

Absent: Richard Cándida Smith

The members of the S-USIH Executive Committee met on Wednesday, 10 March 2021, from 8:30pm-10pm EST, via Zoom and with members. Some officers submitted precirculated reports.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved the 16 February 2021 ExComm meeting minutes, as submitted by Georgini.

As president, Lacy reported on the strong launch of USIH writing groups. He also discussed mail delays that hampered prize committees' work, and described plans for potential partnerships with other academic institutions via MOU.

As secretary, Georgini reported that we record 804 active members in our Wild Apricot database. We also have 2,800+ members in our Facebook group, and 3,505 followers on Twitter. Georgini has drafted minutes, managed the Society's social media channels, sent Members' Notes emails, and posted calls for prize submissions. Georgini continues work with Lacy, Haberski, and Klumpp on application for AHA affiliate status.

As Nominations Committee co-chair, Alpers presented a status report. Lacy, Georgini, and members discussed the protocols and procedures for the forthcoming S-USIH 2021 elections. All members affirmed the need to uphold the Society's commitment to diversity, equity, inclusivity, and accessibility throughout the process. Members also assessed the current and future shape of ExComm's composition in order to support the Society's goals and needs.

As #USIH2020 chair, Georgini reported on the ongoing success of our virtual conference. Georgini summarized money and tech updates, offered analysis of scholarly content presented, and sketched out the continuing work in securing conference partnerships and publicity. Two major teaching workshops are on deck for the spring finale: using material culture and *Reacting to the Past* to teach intellectual history. Georgini met with ESD to collaborate on how to tag and house all of the scholarly conference content created in the past year.

As treasurer, Klumpp reported on the Society's secure financial health.

As #USIH2021 chair, Kuryla reported that the Nashville conference will be held onsite and members discussed contract plans. The committee will continue to weigh public health guidance (local and federal) related to COVID-19 pandemic as the conference plans evolve.

As #USIH2022 chair, Alpers reported on CFP theme and formation of Program Committee.

Lacy thanked all officers and members for their support and service to the Society.

The meeting was adjourned.

The Executive Committee reconvenes on Wednesday, 14 April 2021, via Zoom.