

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes 12 May 2021

Present: Tim Lacy, Sara Georgini, Andrew Klumpp, Peter Kuryla, Benjamin Alpers, Richard Cándida Smith, Sarah Bridger, Robert Greene II

Absent: Ray Haberski

The members of the S-USIH Executive Committee met on Wednesday, 12 May 2021, from 8:30pm-10:30pm EST, via Zoom. Some officers submitted precirculated reports.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved the 14 April 2021 ExComm meeting minutes, as submitted and amended by Georgini.

As president, Lacy reported on the 2021 election results, prize committee decisions, and writing groups' progress updates. ExComm members discussed logistics for future meetings. Lacy proposed, and ExComm unanimously affirmed, Georgini's appointment as Program Chair.

Members explored scholarly opportunities and areas of concern related to the proposed MOU with IUPUI. Lacy will provide ExComm with further information and details at next meeting.

As secretary, Georgini reported that we record 806 active members in our Wild Apricot database. We also have 2,800+ members in our Facebook group, and 3,600 followers on Twitter. Georgini has drafted minutes, managed the Society's social media channels, sent Members' Notes emails, posted calls for prize submissions, and oriented Bridger to USIH secretary's duties. Georgini continues work with Lacy, Haberski, and Klumpp on application for AHA affiliate status.

As #USIH2020 chair, Georgini gave a brief final conference report on our successful finale.

As treasurer, Klumpp reported on the Society's secure financial health and solid cash reserves. Members approved extending WildApricot for now, and considering new membership software.

As #USIH2021 chair, Kuryla reported on the Nashville venue contract and costs. Kuryla outlined A/V capabilities for hybrid panels and plenary livestreams; convene Program Committee soon. ExComm will continue to weigh public health guidance (local and federal) related to COVID-19 pandemic as the conference plans evolve.

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

The meeting was adjourned.

The Executive Committee reconvenes on Tuesday, 29 June 2021, via Zoom.