

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes 26 May 2022

Present: Tim Lacy, Ben Alpers, Sarah Bridger, Sara Georgini, Robert Greene III, Ray Haberski, Andrew Klumpp, Peter Kuryla

The members of the S-USIH Executive Committee met on Thursday, 28 April 2022, from 7:05pm to 8:40pm (Central), via Zoom.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved the 28 April 2022 ExComm meeting minutes, as submitted by Bridger.

As President, Lacy congratulated Georgini, incoming S-USIH President, and Klumpp, reelected as S-USIH Treasurer. Lacy also updated ExComm on the status of prize committee submissions and discussed the logistics of the May Fund and possibilities for additional prizes. Lacy announced his intention to self-nominate for the nominating committee and noted that as his presidential term expires, he will be joining the conference committee, contributing to the blog, and continuing to work on the MOU with IUPUI. The ExComm offered heartfelt appreciation and commended Lacy for his leadership during a challenging period.

As Publications Chair, Greene updated the committee on blog editor Kate Jewell's proposal to hire a metadata consultant to conduct a review of the blog. After discussion, the ExComm voted to affirm the project and approve the potential outlay.

As #USIH2021 Chair, Kuryla reported on plans to host an annual workshop at the #USIH2021 hotel, with an inaugural event next spring dedicated to works-in-progress. The ExComm discussed similar programs and the possibility of cultivating ties to the NIH and to regional intellectual history organizations.

As #USIH2022 Chair, Alpers updated the committee on the extended CFP deadline and individual paper and panel submissions to date.

As Treasurer, Klumpp reported on the Society's secure financial health and cash reserves, but noted the eventual need for future fundraising to support the Ross and Dewey Prize funds. Klumpp also announced a transition to a fiscal year budget calendar, beginning July 1.

As Secretary, Bridger updated the committee on the results of the May election, current S-USIH membership levels, and recent and upcoming e-mail communication with membership. Bridger

noted ongoing efforts to streamline and standardize the archived conference pages on the S-USIH website.

As Program Chair, Georgini proposed a general procedure for ExComm to solicit and vet proposals for future conferences, through the issuance of a formal call and subsequent review of written submissions. The ExComm voted to approve the proposal. The ExComm also discussed AHA policies regarding the politics of potential host states.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:40pm (Central).

The Executive Committee will next reconvene on Monday, 27 June 2022, at 6pm (Eastern), via Zoom.