



**Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
25 July 2022**

Present: Sara Georgini, Ben Alpers, Sarah Bridger, Robert Greene III, Katherine Jewell, Andrew Klumpp.

Interim actions: In an e-mail vote in early July, S-USIH membership passed a constitutional amendment to award full individual voting rights to Conference Co-Chairs serving on the Executive Committee. In a separate e-mail vote, the Executive Committee endorsed the "[History, the Supreme Court, and Dobbs v. Jackson](#): Joint Statement from the AHA and the OAH."

The members of the S-USIH Executive Committee met on Monday, 25 July 2022, from 6:05pm to 7:45pm (Eastern), via Zoom. Some officers submitted pre-circulated reports.

The Executive Committee unanimously approved the 27 June 2022 ExComm meeting minutes, as submitted by Bridger.

As President, Georgini updated the committee on this year's prizewinners and S-USIH's recent tax filing.

As Treasurer, Klumpp reported on S-USIH's healthy finances, including the deposit paid for the 2023 conference hotel.

As Secretary, Bridger reported on steady membership levels and the outcome of the recent constitutional amendment ballot, which passed 69-2. The committee briefly discussed reviewing the list of non-current members to remove possible duplicates.

As Publications Chair, Greene updated the committee on the ongoing effort to review the S-USIH website with an eye toward possible revisions and restructuring.

As 2022 Conference Committee Co-chairs, Alpers and Jewell reported on the process of organizing panel submissions, notifying participants, and preparing the draft conference program. Georgini also updated the committee on the status of arrangements with the 2023 S-USIH conference hotel in Denver. The committee briefly discussed possible A/V options in both Boston and Denver.

Bridger then presented draft bylaws that would enable S-USIH to issue public statements. The committee discussed extending the duration of the proposed voting period and adding language

confirming the Executive Committee's ability to endorse the public statements of other professional organizations. Bridger will incorporate these changes into a revised draft.

At 6:30pm, Caroline Roberts, a metadata expert, presented "Taxonomy Tips & Governance," a metadata assessment of the USIH blog. The report focused on how to use categories and tags more effectively. Roberts offered specific suggestions, including reducing the overall number of categories and creating a style guide to promote consistence and standardization. The committee discussed the report in depth and voted to accept Roberts' recommendations. The committee then considered next steps, reasonable timelines, and future communication with Extra Small Design.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:45pm (Eastern).

The Executive Committee will next reconvene on Monday, 22 August 2022, at 6pm (Eastern), via Zoom.