

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes 25 September 2024

Present: Sara Georgini, Sarah Bridger, Emily Conroy-Krutz, Robert Greene II, Ray Haberski, Chloe Hawkey, Paul Murphy, Benjamin Park, Sarah Payne, Gregory Sumner

The members of the S-USIH Executive Committee met on Wednesday, 25 September 2024, from approximately 6:00pm to 6:51pm (Eastern), via Zoom.

The Executive Committee approved the 21 August 2024 S-USIH meeting minutes, as submitted by Bridger.

As Treasurer, Payne reported on S-USIH finances and conference expenses.

As Publications Chair, Greene updated the committee on the S-USIH blog and book reviews and briefly discussed the possibility of the S-USIH website hosting images and media for presenters at the upcoming Boston conference.

As 2025 Conference Committee Co-Chairs, Hawkey, Murphy, and Sumner noted ongoing work to assemble the conference committee and arrange the keynote address and plenary sessions, and are proceeding with additional planning.

As Secretary, Bridger reported on consistent membership levels.

As President, Georgini updated the committee on arrangements for the Boston conference, including room rentals, local construction, and recent rolling weekend strikes and job actions among hotel workers. The committee considered potential implications of a picket line and discussed contingency planning.

As 2024 Conference Committee Co-Chairs, Conroy-Krutz and Park noted that the conference registration is underway, swag has been ordered, and presentation rooms will be assigned shortly.

The ExComm then discussed the donation of back issues of the Radical History Newsletter. In 2017, S-USIH leadership had considered digitizing the collection and hosting it on the S-USIH website. Georgini noted concerns about copyright issues as well as the labor and technology needed for high-quality digitization. The committee discussed collaborating with a more

traditional digital archive as a way to honor our organization's mission while ensuring expert and reliable archival hosting.

Finally, the committee briefly discussed work with university departments to facilitate conference registration for undergraduate students.

The meeting concluded at approximately 6:51pm. Upcoming meetings will include the S-USIH business meeting, to be held virtually after the Boston conference.