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ASALH
August 19, 2021
Zoom
Meetings started: 7:08p

In attendance: Anita Shepherd, Karsonya Wise Whitehead, Jeff Banks, Gladys Mack, Gladys Gary Vaughn, Zende Clarke, Annette Palmer, Camesha Scruggs, Eric Jackson, Gloria Browne Marshall, Natanya Duncan, Sundiata Cha Jua, Tara White, Lionel Kimble, Denise Rolark Barnes, Sylvia Cyrus, Gilbert Smith, Edna Medford, Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham

I. Opening Remarks: President Evelyn Higginbotham

Motion: Moved by Lionel Kimble to adopt the Agenda with one item of New Business added. Motion carried: Unanimous

Congratulations: Zebulon Miletsky (had a baby), Gloria Browne Marshall (Aspen Institute's Socrates Program for their 25th Annual Summer Seminars), and the Woodson House Committee, chaired by Bettye Gardner and co-chair Barbara Spencer Dunn received the Hartzog Award, a national competition of the National Park Service.

Membership: We need a new way to interact with the Branch presidents; suggestion to host a Get To Know You for the incoming ASALH officers

Sundiata: They need a formal representation on the GC, they need a chair or two designated for them

II. Secretaries Report -Adoptions of Minutes

Motion: Moved by Lionel Kimble to approve the July Minutes. Motion carried: Unanimous Passed

Results of the motion to adopt Woodson Symposium budget for CGW Birthday:

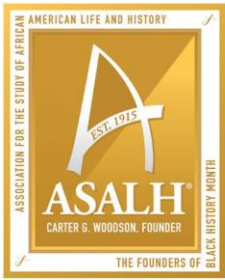
Circulated: July 26: *Please forward your vote to me by COB on August 9. By circulating the motion now, you have two weeks, if you need to ask questions to Barbara or Bettye (everyone is has been Blind Copied except Barbara, Bettye, Sylvia, and me).*

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Votes: Aaisha, Moses, Susan, Anita, Natanya (4Y, 1N)

The motion failed for lack of a majority electronic vote by the due date. It was brought back to the floor by Barbara Spencer Dunn.

Moved By Barbara: The Woodson Home Committee moves that ASALH co-hosts a Virtual Symposium titled, A Bold Vision: Revisiting the Life and Legacy of Dr. Carter G. Woodson and What it Means Today with the National Park Service and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. This event is the traditional Woodson Birthday Event, in a symposium format, and will be held on Saturday, December 18, 2021. ASALH agrees to be responsible for \$1000 to produce the program on ASALH TV, \$200 to mail (not produce) 50 copies of a printed program, and \$120 in indirect costs, totaling \$1320, which Chair and Co-Chair, Dr. Bettye Gardner, and Barbara Spencer Dunn respectively, of the Woodson Home Committee have agreed to raise. Seconded by Lionel Kimble. Motion carried with One Abstention and Two Nos

III. Old Business

1. Membership Reports: Barbara Dunn

~~**Motion:** for chartering organizing branches with criteria (pending criteria from the NMC and submission to Planning and Audit & Finance)~~

~~**Motion:** to adopt the recommendation for non-compliant branches—Rescheduled for Sept. 16th upon submission to Planning by August 23, 2021.~~

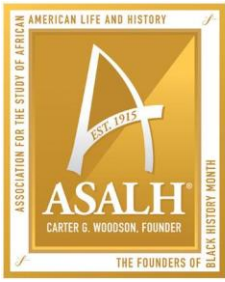
The following Motions need to be submitted in person.

2. Governance Recommendations: Zende Clark and Susan Simms Marsh

Motion: The Governance Committee moves that ASALH members be allowed to attend all Executive Council Business Meetings as indicated in the documented Guidelines. Work sessions and committee meetings are excluded. Motion carried with 2 no responses.

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ASALH membership will be allowed to attend ASALH Executive Council meetings as was the case prior to COVID and virtual meetings. The guidelines for attending these meetings will also be the same and will be implemented as follows:

- Executive Council Meetings will be posted to the ASALH Calendar of Events
- In keeping with the previous process, except for the meetings held during the conference, members wishing to attend the meeting must contact the Executive Director to request the location/login information for the meeting
- The Executive Director will ensure that the request is made by a current member
- Requests must be made at least 24 hours prior to the meeting (this will allow time to ensure that the person is a current member)
- The member will be sent a Zoom invite or the meeting location prior to the meeting
- Members will be reminded that they are not active participants in the meeting
- Executive Sessions are closed to non-Executive Council members.
- Minutes of Executive Council meetings will be shared with the membership on the ASALH website on the Members Private page after the Executive Council approves the minutes
- The agenda will include a membership commentary period at the beginning of each meeting on agenda items only. Comments will be limited to the first three members requesting to speak.

3. Programs: Lionel Kimble

- a. Academic Program Committee: Tara White

4. Committee Budgets update: Gladys Mack

Committee is working on specific report deadlines

IV. New Business

1. Nominations: Annette Palmer and Natanya Duncan

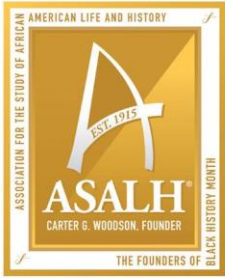
- a. 2021 Election Results
- b. Election Process Flow Chart
- c. Letter to the EC of Aug. 2, 2021, and Taskforce opportunity to address actions inconsistent with Code of Conduct, Policies, and other governing documents of ASALH.

Gladys Mack: put on the table a discussion about setting up an enforcement because the Code of Ethics have been violated against the Executive Director. She is looking for an enforcement

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mechanism of statements made against the Executive Director. President noted that in the past things have been said about her. Jeff, Gilbert, and Anita noted that things have been said about them.

The discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

Motion: Moved by Anita Shepherd to accept the Nominations committee report. Motion carried with One Abs

V. Unfinished Business

- a. ~~Membership Branch Status & Compliance Reports—Moved to September 16th meeting~~
- b. ~~**Motion:** to approve the budget and additional funding of \$5,000.00 for the film festival~~

Jeff Banks: we had a budget of \$135,000 – the goal was to net \$20K; we have made \$99,430; if you know anyone who can be a sponsor, pls reach out

Next EC meeting: Sept. 16, 2021, 8:00 – 9:00 pm.

ASALH members will have access to this meeting.

Items for consideration on the agenda should be submitted to Planning and Finance and Management on August 23, 2021.

Meeting ended at 10:06p

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