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**FIRST DRAFT**

## ASALH EC Agenda October 21, 2021 7:00-8:31p EST Zoom

In attendance: Anita Shepherd, Karsonya Wise Whitehead (secretary joined meeting at 7:30a), Jeff Banks (joined 7:30p), Gladys Mack, Zende Clarke, Annette Palmer, Camesha Scruggs, Tara White, Lionel Kimble, Sylvia Cyrus, Gilbert Smith, Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham, Aaisha Haykal, Barbara Spencer Dunn, Marvin Delaney, Anton House, Moses Massenberg, Randal Jelks, Ida Jones, Omar Eaton-Martinez, Zebulon Miletsky

### I. President's Remarks: President Evelyn Higginbotham

Adoption of Minutes with the exclusion of the September Minutes. We are adding the August minutes and not the September minutes. (The expectation is that the Secretary will make the changes as need be.) Motion Passed

Welcome to the new members and the new officers. This is a hard-working Executive Council and because of our work, it has grown in membership and in our finances. We hope that you come with the same enthusiasm. We had a great conference! Tara: you and your committee, did a wonderful job. We hope that you will have a committee report for the November meeting. (Tara: we will have a committee report for November.)

Each Wednesday, for five weeks between September 15 and October 1, 3 ASALH hosted a workshop led by scholars and activists in the field of social justice. The topics covered a variety of themes, such as the terms that we use the history of policing reflecting on what democracy should look like and this past Wednesday, we hosted our final one on mass incarceration. The attendance far exceeded goals.

Also, the White House (through Trey Baker, the Director of Public Engagement) is eager to work with us again. We will need Gladys Vaughn to work with them to make sure this happens. We want to have ASALH in the White House throughout the year.

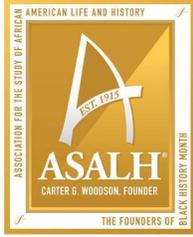
### II. Adoption of August Minutes

*Motion: Zende Clark moved the adoption of the August minutes with the Amendment regarding the Woodson House commemoration. Gladys Mack second. Motion Passed.*

### III. Unfinished Business:

#### a) Membership Report: Barbara Dunn

The Sullivan County Branch is on probation and they're working very hard to get them to meet the December 31 deadline, if they don't have 15 members and have participated in the Carter G



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Woodson birthday celebration, they will be put on probation, and so the same as with Cleveland. We do have an update on Cleveland (the president is ill). The treasurer and I are working very hard to get a meeting with all of the Members that were in their branch in November and we're going to see what they can do to help them reach their numbers by December 31. If not, they will be placed on probation. The C. Delores Tucker Branch did meet their first event and they're working towards becoming fully compliant by December. Chicago is moving very well; they had their relaunch meeting on last Friday and they elected all five offices. The last thing I wanted to report is that we did get all of the financial reports in but we're now waiting for Gilbert, our treasurer, to look at his report and match with ours and make sure that our reports are online. At our next meeting will be able to give you an update on that.

## b) 2021 Annual Conference Report: Jeff Banks

We still have a few outstanding invoices.

Sylvia: Natanya, Camesha – registered over 75 students for the Festival and Luncheon

Evelyn: John Legend gave ASALH \$10,000

Sylvia announced that National Heritage Committee filed two reports

## c) National Heritage Sites Research Committee (NHSRC) Report: Barbara Dunn

## d) The Woodson Symposium Report: Barbara Dunn

## New Business

## e) Nominating Committee Update - Annette Palmer

We need to have information in by January 2022.

## f) Budget Process and 2022 Briefing: Gladys Mack and Gilbert Smith

We ended up with \$220K over our initial Budget estimate – due to the PPP money from gov't and the additional money from the GC members

Gloria: We need to have a plan for planned giving.

Sylvia: We have done a very good and we will start working on the Conference and raising money

Randal: We need an endowment campaign; not just grants but have a pool of money.

**Next EC Meeting - November 18, 2021.** Items for consideration for the agenda should be submitted to Planning by October 25th and Finance and Management by October 29th.

Meeting Adjourned