

## **President's Report, 15 September 2022**

I received a report from Erika von Croft on September 1, 2022 and after reviewing her report and determining that Ms. Croft had not done any actual fundraising for ASALH, I recommended that the Executive Director make a final payment to Ms. Croft and terminate ASALH's relationship with her.

On August 24, 2022, I requested progress reports from the Academic Program Committee and the *JAAH* Editor search committee to be presented at the September 15, 2022 Executive Council meeting. A sample of the appointment letter for the *JAAH* Editor search committee is attached to this report.

### **Academic Program Leadership Committee**

I attended the committee's meetings every Wednesday from August 24 to September 14. I reviewed the Conference Program twice and made corrections.

### **ASALH/Howard University Mellon Grant for Social Justice**

On September 8, I attended the Virtual Book Panel on Psyche Williams-Forsen's book, *Eating While Black*, and greeted participants.

I reviewed the *Social Justice Toolkit* twice and made corrections.

### **Development and Conference Oversight Committee**

I met with the Development and Conference Oversight Committee on September 13 and we addressed the following issues:

1. The termination of Erika von Croft
2. An up-to-date status report on the fundraising for the Annual Conference
3. Developing a strategy to qualify for the \$1 million Links Legacy Grant

### **Awards Committee**

I assisted in securing bios and photos for two awardees: Quintard Taylor and Milton C. Davis. I added Attorney Milton C. Davis of Tuskegee, Alabama to the Awards Program for a special President's Service Award. His bio in the Conference Program will explain my rationale for choosing him for an award from ASALH.

### **Nominating Committee**

I assisted in getting past and present members of the Executive Council to count the votes for the election of new members to the Executive Council.

### **Annual Conference Hospitality Suite**

I raised \$5,000 to purchase refreshments and provide transportation and housing for two persons to staff the hospitality suite that ASALH will open to participants at the Annual Conference in Montgomery. The two staff persons will also serve on the Conference Help Desk.