

President's Report- Executive Council
Association for the Study of African American Life and History
27 November 2022

A. Attended Annual Academic Conference, September 27- October 2, 2022.

B. Committee Assignments

Contacted all old and new members of the Executive Council by phone and/or email to inform them of their committee assignments for 2023.

C. Informed all committee chairs and members that the focus for the Executive Committee and *ALL* ASALH committees for 2023 will be the following:

- 1. Increasing membership to 5,000*
- 2. Raising funds to improve the capacity of ASALH*
- 3. Supporting ASALH's major programs:*
 - a. Black History Month Festival*
 - b. Annual Academic Conference in Jacksonville*
 - c. Publications – JAAH and BHB*

D. Discussed the *JAAH* Editor search with the Search Committee and circulated the Ad/RFP with my personal network.

E. Wrote letter to Ms. Ethel Isaacs William of The Links, Inc to begin the process of making ASALH eligible for The Links Foundation \$1 million grant.

F. Discussed membership on ASALH's National Advisory Committee with the following people:

Dr. Lonnie Bunch, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution

Dr. Gerald Early, Washington University

G. Invited Dr. Lonnie Bunch to participate in ASALH's Black History Month Festival.

H. Made presentation to the Florida Coalition of Branches on 15 October 2022.

Shared African and African American Studies curriculum information with the Florida Coalition of Branches.