



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 24, 2023

Zoom

The Executive Council meeting was held in person and via Zoom, on Friday, February 24, 2023, at 10:00 am (EST). President W. Marvin Dulaney attended via Zoom and spoke to the Council prior to the meeting being called to order.

Aaisha Haykal, Vice President for Programs called the meeting to order at 10:26 am and presided; Kay Phillips of the ASALH staff, served as Secretary of the meeting.

In attendance at the meeting were: Jeffrey Banks, Sundiata Kieta Cha-Jua, Omar Eaton-Martinez, Diedre Foreman, Jarvis Givens, Aaisha Haykal, Valerie Holt, Ida Jones, Lopez Matthews, Jr., Gregory Mixon, Kenvi Phillips, Anita Shepherd, Gladys Gary Vaughn, and Sylvia Cyrus.

Joining the meeting by Zoom were: W. Marvin Dulaney, Gloria Brown-Marshall, Moses Massenburg, Cornelius Bynum, and Denise Rolark Barnes.

The above lists constitute a majority and quorum of the Executive Council necessary for the transaction of business.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Valerie Holt and seconded to adopt the agenda. **The motion passed.**

VICE PRESIDENT FOR PROGRAMS REPORT

The Vice President of Programs report provided an update on the **2023 Black History Month Festival**. Gladys Gary Vaughn presented information on the Festival that began discussions about the success for the festival, the probability of the inclusion of educational institutions, pedagogical research, and the sale and marketing of ASALH products at all events.

The **2024 Executive Summary** discussion centered around “African Americans and the Arts,” by Daryl Scott. Ida Jones, Aaisha Haykal and Jarvis Givens agreed to be the voice of the group and work as a committee to edit the work and incorporate the ideas of Councilmembers. Comments should be sent to Aaisha Haykal by next Monday.

The **Awards Committee Report (written report)** was presented by Cornelius Bynum, Chair. The report is attached to the minutes. Three motions were introduced by Cornelius Bynum passed as a result of the report.

Motion: With respect to the 2023 nominations process, nominees are notified of their nominations by the Awards Committee upon receipt of nomination materials. The motion was moved by Cornelius Bynum and seconded by Valerie Holt. **The motion passed.**

Motion: With respect to the 2024 nominations process, nominations will only go forward if the nominee has agreed to be nominated. The motion was moved by Cornelius Bynum and seconded by Lopez Matthews. **The motion passed.**

Motion: A separate nomination form will be created for the Executive Council Award of Special Recognition only accessible to the Executive Council. The motion was moved by Cornelius Bynum and passed unanimously. **The motion passed.**

The meeting broke for lunch and reconvened at 1:20 pm.

VICE PRESIDENT FOR MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The report was presented by Ida Jones, Chair. There were no recommendations.

The **JAAH Editor Search Committee Report** was presented by Sundiata Kieta Cha-Jua. Discussions were rousing and centered around the withdrawal of one candidate.

Motion: The Governance Committee will prepare an initial response to the candidate's withdrawal for job consideration. That response shall be shared with the Executive Council before it is sent. This will happen within one week. The motion was moved by Jarvis Givens and seconded by Ida Jones. **The motion passed.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Sylvia Cyrus presented the Executive Director report. Discussions centered around Festival events, ASALH TV subscribers and prevalent issues in the state of Florida. There were no recommendations.

The meeting adjourned at 2:44 pm.

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