



ORAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

Council Meeting
August 12, 2024
Zoom Teleconference Call
02:30 pm – 04:00 pm CT

Present: President Kelly Elaine Navies, Vice President Troy Reeves, First Vice President Sarah Milligan, Past President Tomás Summers Sandoval, Nishani Frazier, Alissa Rae Funderburk, Shanna Farrell, Carlos Lopez, Francine Spang-Willis, Executive Director Stephen Sloan, Associate Director Steven Sielaff, & Program Associate Hailey Rowe

Members Absent:

Others Present: Holly Werner-Thomas

Minutes Prepared by: Hailey Rowe

Agenda	Discussion & Decisions	Action Required	Responsible Party
Welcome	<i>icebreaker and welcome [2:33 PM]</i>		
Old Business Minutes Approval	<u>APPROVAL OF JUNE MINUTES:</u> President Kelly Elaine asked the group, “All approved, say aye” the group said aye, “any disapprove say nay”, none disapprove. Minutes passed at [2:45 PM]	Post minutes on website	Hailey
Old Business	<u>Oral History Review Update with Holly</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Report will be ready for the conference ● second 2024 issue is now published online and are currently working toward 2025 spring and fall issues ● Special issue: will between 5 and 6 articles on Oral History and Disability and 3 or 4 more general articles for the issue ● Winona Wheeler and Sara Sinclair will be special editors for a fall 2026 issue dedicated to Indigenous oral history ● looking at adding a technology issue in the future ● let go of the blog but will archive the information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bud is working on adding pieces from the blog’s archive to the website - hopes for a simple launch before the conference 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Panel at the conference with Stephen Sloan and Geraldine Richards on the past, present, and future of academic publishing ● OHR meet and greet Thursday morning at the conference - editorial board will convene during committee/caucus meeting time on Saturday ● Challenges: publishing platform (Scholar One) is very non-intuitive ● Holly discussed open access questions to <i>OHR</i> 		
Old Business	<p><u>OHA Events Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AI in OH Symposium <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ about 250 registrants at the beginning, 255 final registrants ○ recordings will be accessible to all members at the start of 2025 ○ they are all on youtube with basic subtitles for now - links were given to attendees ○ attendance was strong for the first 6 sessions and went down as the week went on ○ next symposium 2026 ● Archiving Oral History in the NPS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2-week contracted webinar for the National Park Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ about 50 attendees ■ happy with the content presented ○ submitted a master cooperative agreement with NPS - have not heard back yet 		
Old Business	<p><u>Accessibility Guidelines Working Group Update with Task Force</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Diversity committee will bring updates on 8/28 		
Old Business	<p><u>Updates from Committee Liaisons and Discussions about Committee Progress with Council</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● we have two new co-chairs for development committee ● Diversity committee 	ask diversity committee for more specifics regarding	Francine

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ conference inclusivity ideas - local community event that combines community and OHA members-wanting more of an online presence for the conference ○ Reception - icebreaker games, thinking about an entrance map with audio recording ○ Accessibility guidelines feedback by August 28 ○ DEI training discussion - would like more information from members to proceed ● Publications - no updates ● Nominating <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ tough this year - 4 candidates agreed to run - more interest for future years ○ co-chairs did a great job ○ working on pulling together a workflow for next year's committee ● Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ renewal gift letter will go out to donors who have donated in the past 7 years to ask them to give ○ working on a fundraising plan ● Emerging professionals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ narrowed down to 2 events at the conference - mentor meet and greet and speed networking ○ spoke with public programming chair about an online speed networking event prior to the conference ● Scholarship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ decisions have been made ○ were able to choose a few extra people ○ would like to discuss the \$500 limit at some point ● Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ trying to get the committee to be smaller, may not add anyone this year due to the roll-offs ● Advocacy 	community event	
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Old Business	<u>Update on Florida Statement with Kelly Elaine</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Executive committee is meeting tomorrow and will finalize the statement 		
Old Business	<u>Oral History and the Law Update with Kelly Elaine</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Began sending out invitations for the task force- 1 confirmation, gave a deadline of August 23 		
New Business	<u>Latine Caucus Proposal with Tomas</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Caucuses need 10 people and then recognition from council ● President Kelly Elaine addressed the council: “All in favor of creating the Latine Caucus say aye” all members said aye “all opposed?” none opposed ● Latine Caucus to be created, passed by council at 3:43 PM 		
New Business	<u>Annual Meeting Updates</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cincinnati 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ fundraising is going okay ○ OHA Council travel plans and payment procedures were discussed ○ presidential reception will be at the Cincinnati Club and there will be a jazz trio ● Atlanta 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CFP for Atlanta review with Alissa Rae 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ next step is to reach out to the guest speaker ○ many people are interested in local arrangements but are still looking to add to the program committee 	Send suggestions for program committee to Alissa Rae and Angela	All
New Business	<p><u>Executive Member's Report with Stephen</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Membership survey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ will go out soon ○ great feedback from the committee ● working on a guide for volunteering with OHA ● designated a record amount of scholarships this year ● Nonprofits can use email votes to make decisions unless 1 person objects to the use of an email vote, which will move the voting to a synchronous virtual or in-person discussion/meeting. 	Give feedback on membership survey	All
Looking Ahead & Adjourn	<p>Question - Are people allowed to apply for both the presenter and international scholarship?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Technically yes, this can be a longer discussion at a future meeting about if we want to keep this the same. <p>1,028 members this year</p> <p>Notice for business meeting with proposed bylaw change goes out 30 days prior to business meeting</p> <p>Adjourned at [3:53pm]</p>		