



ACTIONS OF THE OAH EXECUTIVE BOARD **November 16-17, 2013 — Atlanta, Georgia**

At its fall 2013 meeting held at the Hilton Atlanta on November 16-17, the OAH Executive Board took the following actions:

1. Approved the minutes of the April 11, 2013 Executive Board meeting and the various e-mail ballots circulated from the period of the last board meeting to the present. These ballots included hiring an interim editor to develop a new OAH membership magazine, and increasing the size of the Committee on the Status of Women in the Historical Profession from five to seven members to include two graduate students.
2. Delayed the search for executive editor of the *Journal of American History (JAH)* for two years to 2015-2016 to allow Indiana University time to hire a professor in the Department of History. Ed Linenthal will continue as executive editor of the *JAH* through the 2015-2016 academic year.
3. Approved the slate of appointments to OAH committees as presented by the OAH Committee on Committees (below). New appointees will begin their terms on May 1, 2014.
4. Established the OAH Research and Government Committee. The charge of the committee will be to treat all issues affecting the ability of scholars of American history to pursue their studies in an environment conducive to research and public history. The board also agreed to the creation of two volunteer positions—OAH Washington Liaison and OAH Washington Deputy Liaison—each will serve three-year terms. The liaisons will represent the interests of the OAH to public and private agencies in the nation's capital, will serve as an ex officio member of the OAH Research/Government Committee, and maintain communication with the executive director of the National Coalition for History and report annually—or whenever appropriate—to the OAH Executive Board and the OAH Executive Director.
5. Suggested changes to the OAH Nominating Board for selecting candidates for OAH elections. These changes include: a) putting forth no more than one candidate for office from any one institution for any position; b) no candidate will be placed on the ballot for any position who comes from the same institution as any member of the nominating board; and c) no candidate from an institution already represented by any of the officers or members of the OAH Executive Board shall be on the ballot. When putting forth candidates for OAH office, the nominating board should be mindful of diversity, in all its meanings, and should seek out candidates who have demonstrated a commitment to the OAH. The OAH Executive Board agreed that these suggestions should be incorporated into the nomination guidelines used by the OAH Nominating Board.

6. Endorsed the prototype publication and the current direction interim magazine editor William C. Gillis presented for the new OAH membership publication. Further suggestions will be incorporated into the final prototype presented at the 2014 OAH Annual Meeting. The board agreed that the working title for the new magazine will be *The American Historian*.
7. Authorized the OAH office to establish an endowed gift account to support the OAH President's Travel Fund for Emerging Historians. This fund will provide travel stipends (up to \$750) for graduate students and recent PhDs in history (no more than eight years from the date of the degree) whose papers or panels/sessions have been accepted by the OAH Program Committee for inclusion on the OAH Annual Meeting program. Preference will be given to those who are presenting at the annual meeting for the first time. A committee composed of two OAH Executive Board members will select the recipients of the travel grants each year.
8. Reinstated the History Educator and Associate Member categories (\$60) to the membership dues structure.
9. Accepted the audit for fiscal year 2013 from Crowe Horwath. The OAH received an "unqualified" or "clean" audit report, which also showed a \$45,061 organization-wide surplus. The board heard a report from the OAH Treasurer, Jay Goodgold, who noted that the organization is in good shape financially and the revenue for the coming year already has exceeded projections.
10. Heard a report from Stephanie Toothman, Director of Cultural Resources at the National Park Service, regarding the status of the recommendations made to NPS in the 2011 OAH report, *Imperiled Promise: The State of History in the National Park Service*.
11. Created the Mary Jurich-Nickliss Book Prize for the most original book in U.S. Women's and/or Gender History. The prize will be established in February 2014 upon deposit of a gift from Alexandra M. Nickliss into an endowment fund created for the prize. The first prize will be awarded in 2015.
12. Approved the appointments of the following individuals to the *Journal of American History* Editorial Board: Carol Anderson, Emory University; James Green, University of Massachusetts, Boston; Kenneth R. Janken, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and Molly K. McGarry, University of California at Riverside.
13. Approved the appointment of Margot Minardie, Reed College, to the Pelzer Committee.
14. Approved the appointments of Kate Brown, University of Wisconsin, and Mari Yoshihara, University of Hawaii, to the Thelen Award Committee.
15. Issued a statement from language developed by OAH Vice President Jon Butler that encourages universities to allow students the option of embargoing their dissertation for up to six years.
16. Selected the recipients for the OAH Distinguished Service Award and the Friend of History Award that will be announced at the 2014 OAH Annual Meeting.

17. Approved a proposal from the OAH Community College Committee for a community college workshop in California focused on teaching the U.S. history survey course. The workshop will be held in the summer of 2015.
18. Approved the definitions presented by the OAH office in clarifying the terms “joint meeting” and an “in conjunction with” event.
19. Agreed with the annual meeting site selection procedures developed by the OAH office. These procedures take into account the many factors that go into selecting the location for an annual meeting including holding the conference in states and cities whose policies reflect a commitment to equality and diversity, while recognizing at times that the policy of various cities may be in direct opposition to the states’ policies.

OAH Service Committee Appointments

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Andrew Zimmerman, The George Washington University

COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Christina Gold, El Camino College

Theresa R. Jach, Houston Community College-Northwest

Johnny H. Spence II, Vernon College

COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY AND DISABILITY HISTORY

Martin S. Pernick, The University of Michigan

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

Lily Anne Yumi Welty, Japanese American National University

COMMITTEE ON MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS (NEW COMMITTEE)

John Fea, Messiah College

Sara Georgini, Massachusetts Historical Society

Kevin M. Schultz, University of Illinois at Chicago

Sharon M. Leon, George Mason University

Christopher E. Brick, The George Washington University

COMMITTEE ON PART-TIME, ADJUNCT, AND CONTINGENT EMPLOYMENT

Reappointing John P. Lloyd, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona; and

Donald W. Rogers, Central Connecticut State University/Housatonic Community College

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HISTORY

Erin Krutko Devlin, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN, LATINO/A, ASIAN AMERICAN, AND NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORIANS (ALANA) AND ALANA HISTORIES

Arica L. Coleman, University of Delaware

David Torres-Rouff, University of California, Merced

COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, AND QUEER (LGBTQ) HISTORIANS AND HISTORIES

Anne E. Parsons, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE HISTORICAL PROFESSION

Melissa Barthelemy, University of California, Santa Barbara

COMMITTEE ON TEACHING

Thomas D. Fallace, William Paterson University

Chad H. Parker, University of Louisiana at Lafayette

OAH Award and Prize Committee Appointments

ERIK BARNOUW AWARD COMMITTEE

Brian Hendricks, Southern Illinois University

BINKLEY-STEPHENSON AWARD COMMITTEE

Stephen Aron, University of California, Los Angeles/Autry National Center

EVERY O. CRAVEN AWARD COMMITTEE

Judith A. Giesberg, Villanova University

Adam I.P. Smith, University College London

Jonathan Daniel Wells, Temple University

MERLE CURTI AWARD COMMITTEE

Susan M. Hartmann, Ohio State University

Angus Burgin, Johns Hopkins University

Leslie Butler, Dartmouth College

Ellen Eslinger, DePaul University

Russell A. Kazal, University of Toronto, Scarborough/University of Toronto

Lauren Rebecca Sklaroff, University of South Carolina

ELLIS W. HAWLEY PRIZE COMMITTEE

Frank Costigliola, University of Connecticut

Philip J. Ethington, University of Southern California

Jana Lipman, Tulane University

Landon R.Y. Storrs, University of Iowa

Randall Bennett Woods, University of Arkansas

DARLENE CLARK HINE AWARD COMMITTEE

Tiffany Melissa Gill, University of Delaware

Daina Ramey Berry, University of Texas at Austin

Ida E. Jones, Moorland-Spangarn Research Center, Howard University, and Association of Black Women Historians, has agreed to continue for another term

Micki McElya, University of Connecticut

Amrita Chakrabarti Myers, Indiana University

RICHARD W. LEOPOLD PRIZE COMMITTEE

David Stebenne, Ohio State University

Amy S. Greenberg, Penn State University

Barbara Clark Smith, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution

LERNER-SCOTT PRIZE COMMITTEE

Diana B. Turk, New York University

Marisela Chávez, California State University, Dominguez Hills

Thomas Dublin, State University of New York at Binghamton

LAWRENCE W. LEVINE AWARD COMMITTEE

Rebecca de Schweinitz, Brigham Young University

Clare L. Corbould, Monash University

Andrea Friedman, Washington University in St. Louis

Linda C. Morse, Foxborough Regional Charter Schools

Amy L. Scott, Bradley University

LIBERTY LEGACY FOUNDATION AWARD

Bryant Simon, Temple University

Kenneth R. Janken, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Kariann Yokota, University of Colorado, Denver

DAVID MONTGOMERY AWARD COMMITTEE

Julie Greene, University of Maryland at College Park (LAWCHA member)

Rudy P. Guevarra Jr., Arizona State University

Priscilla Murolo, Sarah Lawrence College

JAMES A. RAWLEY PRIZE COMMITTEE

Ernesto Chávez, University of Texas at El Paso

MARY K. BONSTEEL TACHAU TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD COMMITTEE

Colleen Shanley Kyle, Lakeside Upper School, Seattle WA

FREDERICK JACKSON TURNER AWARD COMMITTEE

Elizabeth Borgwardt, Washington University in St. Louis

Leslie M. Harris, Emory University