

**Minutes of Public Meeting of the
OUTREACH COMMITTEE of the
Board of Directors of the Arizona Historical Society**

Mission: Connecting people through the power of Arizona's history.

A meeting of the Outreach Committee of the Arizona State Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Tom Foster at 2:04 p.m.
2. Roll call – Tom Foster

Present via Zoom were committee members Robert Ballard, Lorna Brooks, Janice Bryson and Sherry Rampy. Absent: Stephen Chapman, appointed to the committee on January 21, 2022. Staff present: Tawn Downs

3. Call to the Public by Tom Foster. There were no members of the public present.
4. Discussion and action, if any, to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2021 Outreach Committee Meeting.

No discussion of minutes. Bryson moved to approve; seconded by Rampy. Motion passed unanimously and minutes were approved as final.

5. Discussion and action, if any, of Certified Historical Institution FY 22-23 Certification Applications and Renewals.

The summary of renewal applications was reviewed and discussed by the committee. Three organizations certified in 2021 did not make the deadline for renewal, but indicated their intent to apply. All three have experienced extenuating circumstances. Three other organizations also failed to apply for renewal and have been unresponsive to efforts to reach them. After discussion the committee decided to extend the deadline for application renewal for these 6 organizations to February 14, 2022. Motion to approve the applications for renewal for each of the six organizations provided they meet the February 14 deadline for submitting their application was put forward by Bryson and seconded by Rampy. Motion passed unanimously.

The new applications for Certification were reviewed. After discussion Rampy moved to recommend to the board the approval of both applications at the January 28, 2022 meeting. Motion was seconded by Ballard. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Additional Agenda items as needed.

Staff member Downs proposed the committee meet again in the near future to discuss the vision for the committee relative to the Certified program, and explore ways to leverage the Certified relationships to the mutual benefit of all parties. She proposed that the committee think about ways to provide more value to the Certified – focus groups, workshops, continuing the “On the Road with Arizona History” program to showcase Certified organizations. She also suggested the committee think about how the Certified can help AHS – advocacy, etc. Discussion among the committee was supportive of the idea and agreed to meet again soon. Several dates were suggested for a possible brainstorming meeting, and Downs agreed to contact Stephen Chapman to determine which date was best before setting a meeting.

7. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

Dated this 28th day of January 2022.

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Tom Foster, Outreach Committee Chair