Notice of Public Meeting of the Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors of the Arizona Historical Society

June 27, 2022

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

1. **Call to Order** – Deborah Bateman called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.

2. **Roll Call** – Deborah Bateman
   
   Committee Members Present: Robert Ballard, Linda Elliot-Nelson
   
   Staff Present: Melba Davis

3. **Minutes** - No minutes to approve. Minutes from the last meeting on 7-25-21 were provided for reference.

4. **Call to the Public** – Consideration and discussion of comments from the public.
   
   No members of the public were present.

5. **Status of Current Officers** – Deborah Bateman
   
   - Information provided courtesy of AHS Director, David Breeckner.
   - All current officers are eligible for another term, but some would be serving a third and final term.
   - Deborah: The experience and understanding of the current officers could be an asset to AHS as it faces its 2023 Sunset Review, if they are willing to serve.

   a. President – Linda Whitaker
      
      - 2 terms as Officer served: FY21, FY22
      - Status eligible for third (and final) term
      - Board Term Expires: 11/1/2025

   b. Vice President – Ileen Snoddy
      
      - 1 term as Officer served: FY22
      - Status eligible for second term
      - Board Term Expires: 11/1/2025

   c. Secretary – Bruce Gwynn
      
      - 2 terms as Officer served: FY21, FY22
      - Status eligible for third (and final) term
• Board Term Expires: 11/1/2023
d. Treasurer – Jim Snitzer
  • 2 terms as Officer served: FY21, FY22
  • Status eligible for third (and final) term
  • Board Term Expires: 11/1/2023

6. **Chair’s Update** – Deborah Bateman
   a. Process
      - Committee members are asked to refer to Article 7: Officers of the AHS By-Laws, which provides descriptions of each Officer position. This will support Committee members’ conversations with other AHS Board members.
      - The process for nominations is described in Article 9 of the AHS By-Laws.
      - The pending 2022 amendments to the By-Laws and Policies feature minor changes to the nominating process which must be anticipated. Changes require the Committee to seek confirmation from named candidates of their interest.
      - **Robert**: Expressed surprise that the nominating process allows for nominations on the floor of the Annual Meeting. He also requested consideration of an online voting system for Board members who cannot attend the Annual Meeting.
      - **Deborah**: Changes to the By-laws and Policies will provide for anonymous online voting.
   b. Ballot Considerations
      - Members of the Committee cannot be considered for office, but can make nominations.
      - The needs of AHS in 2023 regarding the Sunset Review should be discussed with Board members during Committee outreach.
      - Deborah would like to have a slate of candidates ready for recommendation to the Board for its July 29 meeting. This will provide 2 months for review before approval at the annual meeting on September 30. Both Committee members agreed with this timeline.
      - The deadline for Board responses is Friday, July 15.
        - Robert Ballard made no nominations.
        - Deborah Bateman made no nominations.
        - Linda Elliott-Nelson made no nominations.
      - Deborah reminded that nominations can be made on the floor at the September meeting.
   c. Assignment Delegation
      - The Committee will need to contact all 19 AHS Board members to inquire about their interest in serving or making a recommendation.
Each Committee member was assigned 6 Board members to contact. Initial contact will be by a standardized email. Both Committee members agreed with the assignment delegation.

7. **Future Meetings** – Deborah Bateman
   a. Only one future meeting is anticipated for this committee: Friday, July 22, 2022 at 9am.

8. **Announcements** and other matters for consideration in future board or committee meetings.
   a. Deborah expressed a need that the Nominating Committee be fully transparent in its processes and schedule. Both Committee members agreed. Records of outreach to Members will be recorded, to include which Board members were contacted by which Committee member as well as summaries of those conversations.
   b. Linda Elliott-Nelson congratulated Deborah on her recent recognition as “One of the 100 Women to Know in the United States.”

**Nominating Committee Schedule: 9 am and Virtual unless announced otherwise**

- Click the date to register for the meeting
- All meetings are hosted are live-streamed via Zoom

**July 22, 2022**

Adjournment at 2:25pm.
Moved by Linda, seconded by Robert.

Dated this 29th day of June 2022

Arizona Historical Society

Deborah Bateman, Nominating Committee Chair

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