

**DRAFT- Meeting Minutes of
the Outreach Committee of
the Board or Directors of the
Arizona Historical Society**

August 17, 2022

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

1. Call to Order- 1:05 PM by Committee Chair, Tom Foster

2. Roll Call –Tom Foster

- Present via Zoom: Janice Bryson, Lorna Bryson, Robert Ballard, Sherry Rampy
- Absent: Stephen Chapman
- Staff members present via Zoom: Outreach Coordinator- Shelley Coriell, Executive Staff Assistant- Kaydi Forgia, Executive Director- David Breeckner

3. Minutes - Discussion and action, if any, to approve the draft Minutes of the July 22, 2022, Outreach Committee meeting.

- No comments or discussion
- Motion to approve by Sherry Rampy
- Second by Janice Bryson
- Approved unanimously

4. Call to the Public

- There were no members of the public present

5. Call to table August 17, 2022 agenda items 7 through 10- Tom Foster

- Due to time constraints, and to focus on the 2022 AI Merito recommendations. Tom Foster called to table agenda items 7 through 10.
- Motion to approve by Sherry Rampy
- Second by Robert Ballard
- Approved unanimously

6. 2022 Certified Historical Institution (CHI) Grant Contracts, Checks, Promotion-
Shelly Coriell

- Shelley conveyed to the committee that Certified Historical Institution (CHI) Grants are prepared. Shelly asked for volunteers to deliver checks to the recipients. Janice Bryson, Robert Ballard, and Tom Foster stated that they would like to be considered. The committee was reminded to take photos when the checks are delivered. The photos will be used in a late August press release about the 2022 CHI Grant recipients.

7. 2022 AI Merito Award

a. Review of 2022 nominations

The committee reviewed all AI Merito Award 2022 nominations. After considerable discussion the committee narrowed down the pool of nominations from 37 to approximately 10, representing both the individual and organization categories.

b. Action Item: Selection of recommended 2022 award winner(s) for full AHS Board consideration

- The committee concluded its discussion of the 2022 AI Merito nominations with a motion to recommend two individuals for full AHS Board consideration.
 - Sherry Rampy motioned to recommend two individuals for full AHS Board consideration
 - Second by Robert Ballard
 - Approved unanimously
- The committee recommends one organization for full AHS Board consideration
 - Sherry Rampy motioned to recommend the organization
 - Second by Robert Ballard
 - Approved unanimously
- These recommendations will be submitted to the full AHS Board for approval via an online poll and will be revealed at the full AHS Board's next scheduled meeting.
- Other discussions during the review of nominations included;

Many of the nominations met or exceeded the criteria making for a very difficult decision. How can these nominations be highlighted? Are there other awards or honors available? There was no consensus on what other awards or honors were available.

A question arose regarding the language on the application. The language will be discussed in a later meeting to allow a full review of the application and its language.

c. Review, discussion, and recommendations on timeline of awards for 2023 and beyond

Due to time constraints the review and recommendations for 2023 award timeline was not discussed

d. Action Item: Creation of recommended timeline for awards for 2023 and beyond

- Sherry Rampy motioned to table agenda item 6 d, "Action Item: Creation of

recommended timeline for awards for 2023 and beyond”

- Second by Janice Bryson
- Approved unanimously

8. Additional Agenda items as needed

There was none.

The next meeting will be scheduled for the week of September 18th.

Adjournment 2:38 PM

Dated this 17th day of August 2022

Arizona Historical Society

Tom Foster

Tom Foster, Outreach Committee Chair

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