



Action Items of the OAH Executive Board

Actions of the OAH Executive Board At its spring 2012 meeting held on April 19 at the OAH/NCPH Annual Meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the OAH Executive Board took the following actions:

1. Approved the minutes of the November 2011 OAH Executive Board meeting with one change: the funding request from the Committee on the Status of African American, Latino/a, Asian American, and Native American (ALANA) Historians in October 2011 was approved for one year. A proposal for continued funding will be considered at the next board meeting in the fall of 2012.
2. Established the Horace Samuel and Marion Galbraith Merrill Travel Grants from the recent bequest from the estate of Marion Galbraith Merrill. Five travel grants in the amount of \$500 each will be awarded annually to individuals to help defray the costs of attending the OAH conference. OAH President Albert Camarillo and OAH President-Elect Alan Kraut will draft application criteria and suggest individuals to serve on the Merrill Travel Grants Committee.
3. Approved the budget for the 2013 fiscal year ending June 30, 2013. The budget projects revenues at \$2,901,672 and expenses \$2,860,802.
4. Created the David Montgomery Book Prize in Labor History, contingent upon successful endowment fundraising efforts.
5. Recognized the changing environment within the academy and asked the OAH office to undertake projects that will acquaint history students and professionals with nonacademic career opportunities.
6. Approved procedures for addressing allegations of misconduct.
7. Approved the following appointments to the *OAH Magazine of History* editorial board: Kelly Lytle Hernandez, University of California Los Angeles; John DeRose, Whitefish Bay (WI) High School; Peter Seibert, National Council for History Education; Mark Roehrs, Lincoln Land Community College; Kimberly Gilmore, The History Channel; and Lisa Kapp, St. Ann's School (NY).

8. Announced that the *OAH Magazine of History* task force will report in the fall on possible future formats for the publication. The editor Carl Weinberg is leaving the position this summer, and the OAH will use this opportunity to explore various content and form options. In the meantime, the magazine will continue in its current format for the next two years.
9. Listened to a presentation from the OAH Committee on National Park Service Collaboration highlighting *Imperiled Promise: The State of History in the National Park Service*, a study coauthored by Anne Mitchell Whisnant, Marla R. Miller, Gary B. Nash, and David Thelen. The Executive Board applauded their efforts and asked OAH Public History Manager Aidan J. Smith to prioritize the recommendations within that report for OAH consideration.
10. Heard a report from Oxford University Press on the status of the two publications (the *Journal of American History* and the *OAH Magazine of History*) it publishes on behalf of the OAH.
11. Reviewed the proposal from the Committee on Part-Time, Adjunct, and Contingent Employment (CPACE) for recognizing history departments and programs that reflect best practices in utilizing adjunct and contingent instructors. The board approved posting these departments and programs on the OAH Web site and will publish articles on best practices in *OAH Outlook*.
12. Updated the criteria for the Friend of History Award and the Roy Rosenzweig Distinguished Service Award.
13. Formed the OAH Disability and Disability History Committee, which will become operational this fall.

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