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Professional Division Report
Philippa Levine, University of Texas at Austin
Vice President, Professional Division

The three years in which I have held the position of vice president of the AHA’s Professional Division have been interesting ones, ones in which we have witnessed attempts to erode the meaning of tenure and the right to academic freedom as well as steadily declining history enrollments among undergraduates. We are fortunate in having the American Historical Association as a body willing to stand up for critical rights and to articulate why they matter beyond as well as within the academy. We are likewise fortunate to be members of an organization that so eloquently explains why studying history is, even from a utilitarian perspective, a worthwhile as well as an absorbing option for students. As we approach an era of considerable political uncertainty, organizations such as this will become more and more important to defend not only rights such as these but, most importantly, their broader significance. If you’re listening to or reading this, I’m preaching to the choir, but let me suggest that if all of us, who have cared enough to become (and remain) members of the AHA, encourage our colleagues and our students to join us, then the work the AHA does will be that much stronger, that much more helpful, that much more influential.

And now to that work. The Professional Division’s responsibilities comprise monitoring all areas of professional work within the discipline and developing advisory materials to assist historians at every stage of their career. The Division attends to issues related to the responsibilities and working conditions of historians, as well as to their training and employment. It also responds to informal queries from AHA members on workplace, scholarly, and other practices. We are not an investigatory body, and thus usually refer enquiries to the AHA’s Statement on Standards of Professional Conduct, available on the Association’s web site, as well as to guidelines produced by other pertinent organizations. The Division also oversees the Advisory Committee on Disability.

One of the tasks that has occupied a great deal of our attention recently has thus been to conduct a review of the many “statements and standards” documents available on our website (https://www.historians.org/jobs-and-professional-development/statements-and-standards-of-the-profession). Some of these were as much as twenty years old and while not all the documents required revision in light of changing practices, laws, and customs, a general overhaul was past due. In addition to revising many of the existing guidelines, we have added new documents, largely in response to enquiries and suggestions made by our members. New this year is a dissertation best practices guideline. This revision process has been a lengthy collaborative task, and I’d like to thank not only Professional Division members for their hard work on this but both other divisions, Teaching and Research, to whom we parceled out guidelines better suited to their expertise than ours. Without their co-operation we could not have made the changes we have effected.

The PD also made important recommendations to the AHA Council based on the result of an extensive and well-documented survey on the problems faced by LGBTQ historians presented to us by a task force appointed for that purpose. The result of this work has been the creation of a new standing committee which will monitor the status of LGBTQ issues within the historical profession, recommend policies and best practices in that regard, and undertake projects addressing the status of both LGBTQ historians and LGBTQ history. I’d like to single out former PD member Mary-Lou Roberts for her unstinting energies in
getting this off the ground, as well as to the members of the task force whose eloquent recommendations pointed us down the right path.

The other main area on which the PD has focused its attention over the past three years has been the varied ethical issues pertaining to the discipline. In 2014 we launched a new column in Perspectives: The Ethical Historian: Notes and Queries on Professional Conduct. Appearing a few times a year, the column has tackled issues that our correspondence with members reveals are important to many. Thus far we have published discussions of plagiarism, faculty hiring protocols, junior faculty workload and LGBTQ equity, with more in the pipeline. Discussions continue in a number of key areas of ethics: whether ethics training should be a feature of graduate training, and whether the organization would be well served by a return to the adjudication (abandoned in 2003) of plagiarism complaints.

We have further expanded the presence of the PD at the Annual Meeting, sponsoring and organizing an assortment of panels designed to extend the horizons of history PhDs seeking work beyond faculty placements, as well as a series of sessions intended to demystify such things as the job interview, and book and journal publishing. Much of this work has been taken on in conjunction with initiatives at the AHA such as the Career Fair. My particular thanks go to Emily Swafford at the AHA. Her great ideas and exemplary efficiency have made working with her, and on these issues, a pleasure.

Emily is not the only member of the AHA staff to whom I owe a great deal. Working with the AHA’s energetic and thoughtful staff has been a highlight of my tenure, and we all owe them an immense debt for their care and concern about the daily lives, the careers, and the well-beings of historians in every walk of life as well as of the standing of the discipline. Jim Grossman answers emails practically before you have sent them, and his replies are invariably wise and thoughtful despite arriving in record time. Liz Townsend stepped into the position vacated by Sharon Tune with her customary cheerfulness and meticulous care. Staffing the Division added to her already busy workload but she has never been anything other than singularly efficient and helpful as well as amazingly knowledgeable on every issue. And she has patiently endured a Division less than keen to adapt to new technologies. Her predecessor Sharon Tune guided me firmly and safely as I worked out the dynamics and dimensions of the job. Over the years Julia Brookins, Seth Denbo, Debbie Doyle, Matthew Keough, Allen Mikaelian and his successor at Perspectives Allison Miller, and Dana Schaffer have all helped out in so many ways. I also want to take this opportunity to thank the members of the division with whom I’ve had the pleasure to serve. Andy Rotter, and Lou Roberts were the veterans when Catherine Epstein and I joined the Division. When Andy rotated off, Valerie Paley joined us, bringing a valuable museum perspective to our deliberations. When Lou left a year later, we welcomed the energetic Debjani Bhattacharyya. Now it is time for Kevin Boyle and Suzanne Marchand to replace me and Catherine, and it is with great confidence in their skills as well as those of the now old-hands, Valerie and Debjani, that I step down from this intense, eye-opening, but incredibly rewarding experience. And let me once more reiterate my opening statement: we need the AHA now more than ever. Please encourage your colleagues, your students, your historian friends who may not be members to join. After three years of seeing the internal workings of the association, I can honestly say that the annual subscription is a small price to pay for the work they do.

28 November 2016
Research Division Report
Edmund P. Russell, Boston University
Vice President, Research Division

Activities of the AHA Research Division – 2016

American Historical Review
- Successfully concluded search for next editor by appointing Alex Lichtenstein for four-year term (2017-2021)
- Welcomed Robbie Schneider as interim editor of the AHR (2016-2017)
- Worked with Alex to name new members of AHR board of editors.
- Created Principles of Oversight for the AHR, which Council approved in June 2016. The document aims to help RD fulfill its obligation, under AHA governing documents, to oversee the journal while protecting editorial autonomy. The document clarifies the roles and responsibilities of the AHR editor, RD, Council, and others. It lays out the procedure for evaluating the editor and elements of annual reports. The document is on the AHA website.
- Considered revising the oversight document to clarify policy on unresponsive/ineffective BoE members (discussed by RD and Council in June 2016). Russell drafted an addition to bylaws for January 2017 Council meeting consideration. Because BOE is an AHA committee, the addition applies to all AHA committees.

Perspectives
- Approved a recommendation to Council to switch from Disqus commenting platform to Facebook. Recommendation was discussed at June Council meeting. This recommendation is on hold until final decisions regarding Perspectives and AHA Today redesign/integration are made.
- Agreed to consider proposal from Perspectives editor to reinstate an active advisory board and a new policy on accepting third party letters (the latter is now being drafted by Miller and Denbo)

Policies and Statements
- Approved Best Practices for Accessible Publishing, revised from the guidelines from the Disability History Association (recommendation approved by council in June 2016)
- Approved an official open access fees policy for the AHR, which clarifies the AHA’s position on author processing charges and replaces a 2013 Perspectives article as the AHA’s official statement on the topic. Discussed at June 2016 Council meeting.
- Reviewed policies for the Professional Division and made recommendations of updates to policy on (1) Tenure, Promotion, and the Publicly Engaged Academic Historian and (2) Statement on Standards.
- Monitored HHS’s progress toward a federal rule exempting oral history from IRB oversight. RD saw no reason to change AHA’s position of support for exemption. RD agreed, however, that AHA’s Statement on Oral History and IRBs characterizes historical research in inaccurate ways. RD agreed to move the statement from the current section of the AHA website to the archives.
- Agreed to consider revisions to Statement on Scholarly Publishing
- Agreed that clarification is needed on the policy on publication elsewhere of content in the AHR.
Advocacy
- Issued letter in support of the archives at the Port of Los Angeles (May 2016)
- David Bell worked on letter issued to French Minister of Culture to encourage maintaining accessibility of holdings of the Textile Museum in Lyon (Feb 2016)

Prizes
- Recommended consideration of a new Indigenous Americas Book Prize (considered by Council in Jan. 2016, which approved a 2017 pursuit of funding)
- Approved proposal to change the structure of the NASA prize committee (June 2016)
- Approved proposal to increase the award amount cap of the Schmitt Grant from $1000 to $1500 (June 2016)
- Approved part of proposal to clarify the wording of the Marraro Prize. (Oct 2016)
- Discussed amending the Haring Prize to clarify terms; requested a recommendation from the Council of Latin American History and will discuss further at a future meeting.

Research/Ongoing Projects/Other Items:
- Discussed a staff proposal to create an AHA Bibliography, possibly in collaboration with JSTOR (June 2016). RD expressed concern about duplication of other bibliographies.
- Discussed a potential joint conference between the German Historical Institute and the AHA
- Denbo reported on ongoing work with the Future of the Print Record Working Group (April 2016)
- RD consulted with the International Committee on potential new roles for the yearly honorary foreign member, including a joint panel with the president at the annual meeting and a semi-regular column in Perspectives (Oct 2016)
Teaching Division Report
Elizabeth A. Lehfeldt, Cleveland State University
Vice President, Teaching Division

In my first year as Vice President of the Teaching Division I have overseen an active agenda. It includes ongoing projects begun before my tenure and new initiatives. I will highlight each in turn below.

**Ongoing**

**Dual Enrollment/Concurrent Enrollment:** The Division has continued to address the spread of Dual Enrollment/Concurrent Enrollment courses. In light of evidence that not all of these courses are carefully monitored or regulated, the Division continues to uphold its statement and to engage in advocacy work to uphold these best practices. This included an updated posting about the AHA’s position on the association’s blog in December 2016. The Division is also working with the OAH and other professional societies to uphold best practices.

**Tuning:**

In keeping with the iterative process that defines Tuning, Project Director Julia Brookins and Prof. Anne Hyde led the effort to create a revised History Discipline Core (included in agenda book).

The Tuning Project Special issue of The History Teacher, was published in print in August 2016 and is online as of November 24. [http://www.societyforhistoryeducation.org/A16Preview.html](http://www.societyforhistoryeducation.org/A16Preview.html)

New booklet, “Why Study History?,” is in process; the booklet along with responses to online questionnaires from history BAs are being used to revise/rework resources for history BAs.

Includes four main parts:
1. data on the employment of history majors in the United States, including occupations, earnings, and available evidence of social contributions and personal satisfaction;
2. concise language on what students of history learn in college, and advice on how to use learning outcomes to guide and advance students’ intellectual and career development;
3. brief essays which each address one of four key aspects of/approaches to the value of studying history—what employers need, personal development, intellectual challenge and development, and the importance of historical consciousness in supporting democracy and public engagement
4. personal testimonials from former history majors about what they learned and how it has affected their lives (gathered from BA Questionnaire online).

Project Director, Julia Brookins, made various presentations on Tuning, including ones at the 2016 (2nd Annual) Texas Conference on Introductory History Courses and the College Board’s 2016 (2nd Annual) Texas Conference on Introductory History Courses (October 2016).

**New**

The most significant of the new initiatives is the Division’s commitment to examine the issue of enrollments in history courses. Spurred by conversations on the Department Chairs’ discussion list on the AHA Communities site, the Teaching Division voted and then received the support of the full AHA Council to make this a focal part of the Division’s work during my tenure as Vice President. So far this work has included:
• a survey of departments, asking them questions about enrollments in their courses, recruiting students into history courses and to become majors; the first results of the survey were presented and analyzed by Julia Brookins in the September Perspectives.
• I published an article in the October Perspectives, outlining the scope of the issue and encouraging further participation in the survey.
• Enrollments will be the focal issue at the chairs’ luncheon at the annual meeting in 2017.
• Members of either the Teaching Division or the AHA staff will attend several planned regional chair meetings to discuss strategies and best practices to encourage high enrollments in history courses
• We are developing a collection of resources and best practices around questions of enrollment and recruiting students to make available to department chairs and faculty.

Led by the outstanding advocacy of Teaching Division member, Dr. Trinidad Gonzales, the AHA Council’s worked to oppose a draft of a textbook that had been submitted for approval for Texas's Mexican American Studies course. Drawing on the AHA’s Guidelines for the Preparation, Evaluation, and Selection of History Textbooks and the Association’s Statement on Standards of Professional Conduct and citing numerous factual errors, the Council urged the Texas State Board of Education to reject the textbook. At their meeting of November 16, 2-16, the board voted 14-0 to reject it.

The Teaching Division appointed members to the Ad-Hoc Committee on State Standards. It also revised the Committee’s charge to be K-16 and not K-12 issues; to that end, it appointed Dr. Norm Jones to help round out the committee’s representation.

The Teaching Division is working on plans to move forward with elements of the Measuring College Learning Project.

The Teaching Division also wrote and approved a set of webinar procedures and policies to help AHA staff when they receive requests to co-sponsor or promote such activities.

Working with Stephanie Kingsley, the Teaching Division has helped direct the better organization of teaching resources on the AHA website.

The Division revised and updated two statements:

Guidelines for Preparation of Teachers of History (approved by Council on August 25, 2016)

Statement on Excellent Classroom Teaching of History (approved by Teaching Division on December 2, 2016; on Council agenda for January 2017 meeting)
I would like to report on the American Historical Review to the members of the Council of the American Historical Association.

Board of Editors

The Board of Editors is at full strength and working hard. We try not to burden Board members with unworthy or unpromising manuscripts. All submissions are first read and evaluated in-house. Only a fraction of these are passed on to two Board members for their review. In addition, the BOE serves as an advisory council on a whole range of matters, especially in the commissioning and curating of editorial projects (forums, roundtables, review essays, etc.). And I have also charged members with seeking out and recommending promising work that might find a place in our pages.

Current members of the BOE:

Peter Fritzsche (U. of Illinois), Modern Europe
Manu Goswami (NYU), South Asia
Sandra Greene (Cornell), Africa
Ruth Mazo Karras (U. of Minnesota), Medieval
Ussama Makdisi (Rice), Middle East
John Jeffries Martin (Duke), Early Modern Europe
Sarah Maza (Northwestern), Modern Europe
Lara Putnam (U. of Pittsburg), Theory and Methods
Cynthia Radding (U. of North Carolina), Latin America
Randolph Roth (Ohio State), Modern U.S.
William T. Rowe (Johns Hopkins), East Asia
Claudio Saunt (U. of Georgia), Early American
Lynne Viola (U. of Toronto), Russia/Eastern Europe

I should note that while members are largely selected based upon their expertise and accomplishments, there is also the concern to balance the composition of the Board in terms of gender, institutions (private and public), and other considerations.

AHR Activities

Editorial Initiatives.

• AHR Conversation. This has been a feature of the journal since I introduced it in 2006. With a couple of exceptions, it has appeared in our pages in each December issue ever since. The practice has been for the Editor, in consultation with members of the Board of Editors and others, to come up with a topic that would appeal to our wide readership—one that crosses geographical and
chronological boundaries as well. Then a roster of potential participants is assembled, with care taken to make sure that a variety of fields in our discipline are included. It occurs entirely online. This December’s issue features a Conversation, conceived and moderated by Alex Lichtenstein, the Interim Editor in 2015-16, on “History after the End of History: Reconceptualizing the Twentieth Century,” which I think readers will find very interesting. At this point, I am considering several topics for the 2017 Conversation and will be discussing them with the Board of Editors at this meeting.

- **Projects for Forums, Exchanges, Roundtables and Review Essays.** As always, the main way for the editors to shape the journal and its content is by commissioning and encouraging Forums, Review Essays and other genres of publication. Perhaps because the lack of continuity in the position of Editor, we have been cautious in initiating projects that would be inherited by a successor. There are, however, several in the works. In April we will publish a Forum that features an essay that has a digital component—“British Travelers in Eighteenth-Century Italy: The Grand Tour and the Profession of Architecture,” by a team of researchers connected to the Stanford, “Mapping the Republic of Letters” project. Roundtables in the works include, “Rethinking Anti-Semitism,” “On the Anthropocene,” “Historicizing the ‘Economy’.” Review Essays that we are considering include on “Comparative History,” and another on “LGBT History.” Finally, there is the possibility of a Forum on “Chronological Age.”

- **Digital Primary Sources.** We are continuing with this addition to the back of the book—listing of historical websites, with brief descriptions, which will add to the ongoing compilation posted online at historians.org/digital-primary-sources.

**AHR Staff**

The editorial and production staff of the *AHR* at Bloomington continues to function at an excellent level, with relatively little turn-over. Key members of the staff are the graduate students who serve as Editorial Assistants (EAs). The EAs are responsible, under the direction of Assistant Editor Donna Peterson, for the enormously complex process of selecting reviewable books, assigning books to reviewers, and then editing the reviews once they come in. They also proof read the entire journal before it goes to press. EAs normally serve three year terms, often renewable for a fourth year. The current Editorial Assistants, with their areas of specialty, are:

- Isabel Álvares: Latin America/Caribbean, Africa, Middle East, Spain & Portugal, Oceana/Pacific Islands
- David Eacker: Germany, Austria, Jewish, European Intellectual, theory, Western Europe post-1815
- Charlene Fletcher-Brown: North America (from 1930)
- Natalie Levin: Ancient & Medieval, Western Europe, pre-1815, Modern France & Italy, Early Modern Britain
- Leone Musgrave: Russia, Asia, World/Comparative
- Amy Ransford: Early America and Canada to 1830, Great Britain/Ireland, post-1689, Native American
- Daniel Story: Modern US & Canada, to 1930, African American, 1830-1930, Hispanic-American/Latino

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1 The topics have been “On Transnational History” (2006); “Religious Identities and Violence” (2007); “Environmental Historians and Environmental Crisis” (2008); “Historians and the Study of Material Culture” (2009); “Historical Perspectives on the Circulation of Information” (2011); “The Historical Study of Emotions” (2012); “How Size Matters: The Question of Scale in History” (2013); Explaining Historical Change: The Lost History of Causes.”(2015); and “History after the End of History: Re-conceptualizing the Twentieth Century” (2016).
In addition to these Editorial Assistants, the office of the *AHR*, 914 Atwater, is home to five other people who are indeed truly responsible for the excellent journal we edit and publish five times a year:

Konstantin Dierks (Associate Editor, Associate Professor of History, Indiana University)
Jane Lyle (Assistant Editor, Articles)
Donna Peterson (Assistant Editor, Book Reviews)
Cris Coffey (Operations Manager)
Jessica Smith (Production Assistant)

It is hard for me to express how crucial all of these people are to everything we do. They take pride in being associated with the *AHR*—and it shows!

**Oxford University Press**

This is the fifth year of our relationship with Oxford University Press as our publishing partner. In general, the relationship has been a good and productive one. In the past year there have been some difficulties with regards to quality control with the type-setter in Bangalore, but in the recent issues the results have been more to our satisfaction. Oxford has just recently introduced a new platform for their journals, which will, I hope, increase the speed of loading articles—a persistent problem, we have found. In all my dealings with Oxford, and especially with Trish Thomas, Executive Publisher, Humanities Division (OUP), I have been impressed with their willingness to accommodate our particular needs and their eagerness to market the journal to libraries and institutions where we heretofore have not had much access.

**Editors, Interim Editors, Relations with Indiana University, etc.**

Everyone is aware, I trust, of the difficulties we have had in the last several years in finding a permanent Editor of the journal. At this point, the AHA and the College of Arts and Sciences of Indiana University have agreed to the appointment of Alex Lichtenstein, Professor of History at IU and a former Associate Editor and Interim Editor (2015-16), to serve as Editor until another search can be initiated. This matter should probably be reserved for a separate discussion at the Council meeting.

**Budget, Printing and Publishing**

The journal is operating within its 2016-17 budget.

Included is an Appendix is the Operating Budget for 2016-17 as well as charts displaying information on book reviews and article submissions.

I welcome any comments you care to share on this report or any other issues relating to the *AHR*. 
## American Historical Review Budget 2016-2017

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Explanation of the Budget 2016-2017

1. $9,015 is 1/10 of the Editor’s $90,148 10-month salary (.8% projected raise this year).

$7,158 is 1/10 of the Associate Editor’s $71,581 10-month salary (.8% projected raise this year)
IU pays for the 11th month and the AHA pays for the 12th month.
The figures on the IU side are the full salaries paid by IU for the Editor and Associate Editor.
2. See item 1.

3. Assistant Editors receive .5% projected raise this year.

4. Assistant Editors receive .5% projected raise this year.

5. Operations Manager receives .5% projected raise this year.

6. Production Assistant receives 2% projected raise this year.

7. Editorial Assistants (7): receive no pay raise this year.

8. Benefits for Faculty, Assistant Editors, Operations/Production Manager and Production Assistant: These figures are fixed by IU. Production Assistant’s total benefits are 38.77% of yearly salary. All others 39.88%: FICA 6.93%, Retirement at 13.68% of yearly salary (12.57% for Production Assistant). Health insurance 19.27%.

9. See item 8; IU pays Production Assistant’s benefits.

10. Estimated Increase for Editorial Assistant Fee Scholarships by IU of 6% over last year. *Note, this figure may not be entirely accurate – too low, if anything. Nobody has responded to our request for accurate information for this year, but we’ll try to find and use correct figure next fiscal year.

11. Editorial Assistant SAA Health Insurance, set by IU.

12. Hourly Clerical: For new Editorial Assistants’ training. All contracts are July 1 thru June 30, with 10 hours of training prior to July 1, paid as hourly. Also covers incidental, pre-approved overtime for Operations Manager and Production Assistant, as well as temp services should the need arise.

13. Supplies & Expenses.

14. Postage. Expense fluctuates based on number books sent out for review from month to month, and on how many are international postage.

15. Travel: For the 2017 AHA Annual Meeting in Denver; also for occasional AHR-related travel for Editor and staff.

16. Capital Expenditures: Continuation of the upgrade and replacement of staff and Editorial Assistant computers, as well as supplies/accessories (toner, mice, etc.).
17. IT support provided by Auxiliary Information Technology (IU). We anticipated a rate increase last FY but it didn’t happen. It will increase by 5% in 2016-2017, though, and this current figure should be accurate. Add Comcast internet connection at $134.90/month.

18. Administrative Fee: 2.65% of total expenses paid through IU account and reimbursed monthly by the AHA.

19. Parking Permits* for Assistant Editors, Operations Manager and Production Assistant. *This figure is an estimate based on the 2015-2016 rate plus 9%, as over the past few years we’ve seen roughly a 9% increase. The 2016-2017 rate has not yet been made available by IU and won’t be until after budgets are already set.

Other Committee Reports

Graduate and Early Career Committee (GECC) Activities Report

- Staff changes
  - Jane Green, marketing and public relations manager, has taken over staffing for GECC
- Annual meeting
  - GECC is sponsoring multiple events at the annual meeting
    - Graduate Student Reception, Thursday, Jan 7, 5:00 PM-6:00 PM, Sheraton Plaza Ballroom E.
    - GECC Open Forum on the topic advocacy, Friday, Jan 6, 2:30 PM-3:30 PM, Hyatt Regency Denver, Mineral Hall D
    - Job Workshop for Historians, Friday, Jan 6, 2016, 10:30am-12:00pm, Hyatt Regency Denver, Centennial Ballroom D
    - Dissertation lightening round, Friday, Jan 6, 3:30-5:00pm, Convention Center, Mile High Ballroom 1B. This is a new event, modeled after the successful Digital Projects Lightening Round.
  - Several members of GECC are also participating in AHA Career Fair, including at the reprinted “Ask an Assistant Professor” booth.
- Over the past year, GECC members have worked to update resources on the AHA’s graduate student webpage.
  - Guide to Preparing Fellowship Applications by Aaron Hale-Dorrell and Jennifer Schaefer; approved by GECC September 21, 2016
    - https://www.historians.org/jobs-and-professional-development/professional-life/resources-for-graduate-students/graduate-school-from-start-to-finish/guide-to-preparing-fellowship-applications
  - AHA Guide to Archival Research: approved by GECC September 21, 2016; adapted by Elizabeth Lundeen and Adam J. Pratt
    - https://www.historians.org/jobs-and-professional-development/professional-life/resources-for-graduate-students/graduate-school-from-start-to-finish/aha-guide-to-archival-research
- In 2017, GECC members will continue to oversee revisions to outdated graduate student resources.
- In addition, GECC members will undertake an effort to better connect graduate students to these new resources by working with Directors of Graduate Study.

Committee on Minority Historians Annual Report

The members of the Committee on Minority Historians (CMH) are: Devyn Spence Benson, (Davidson College), Adrian Burgos, (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign), David A. Chang, (University of Minnesota, Twin Cities), Reginald K. Ellis, (Florida A&M University), and Melissa Nicole Stuckey, (Independent Historian and Committee Chair). The committee receives invaluable support from AHA staff, especially program coordinator Amanda Moniz. Executive Director Jim Grossman has been a valued participant in our meetings.

The committee met twice during the last year and continued its commitment to advocating a more inclusive profession and also representing the interests and concerns of minority historians and the Association’s outreach to public history organizations and K-12 teachers.
In this capacity, the CMH continued or revived several initiatives. Thanks to Herman Bennett (CUNY Graduate Center), it hosted its annual reception at the 2016 Annual Meeting with generous sponsorship from the Office of Educational Opportunity and Diversity CUNY Graduate Center. The committee continued its work of administering the AHA Equity Award and especially focused its efforts on increasing number of nominations the award received. The 2016 recipients for the Individual and Institutional Awards respectively are Al Camarillo (Stanford Univ.) and the History Department of the University of Texas at El Paso. The committee revived its sponsorship of Annual Meeting panels by issuing a call for papers and accepting three panels and one poster presentation for the 2017 Meeting. The committee also published one article in Perspectives and is preparing additional pieces for publication in 2017. Finally, the committee is assisting the AHA in fundraising efforts for the Wesley-Logan Prize.

Report on Activities from the Committee on Affiliated Societies

- Staff changes
  - Jane Green, marketing and public relations manager, took over staffing this committee in January as the AHA works to improve the affiliates program as an outreach opportunity
- The committee recommended two new affiliated societies, both of which were approved by Council
  - Association for Israel Studies
  - Midwestern Historical Association
- We expect an application from the African American Intellectual History Society (www.aaihs.org) early in 2017.
- Our goal moving forward is to improve the participation of the Affiliated Societies as a community of historians. The first step is to increase the use of Affiliated Societies forum in AHA Communities
- We also plan to implement a more regular review of affiliate status to maintain an active list of affiliates and promote more frequent membership list exchange.
- 52 affiliated societies are holding a session at the 2017 annual meeting. This as a slight increase from the 49 societies who participated in the 2016 meeting.
Minutes of the 131st Business Meeting
American Historical Association  
131st Business Meeting  
January 7, 2017  
Colorado Convention Center Mile High Ballroom 2a  
700 14th St, Denver, CO 80202

Present: Patrick Manning, President; Tyler Stovall, President-elect; Vicki Ruiz, Immediate Past President; James Grossman, Executive Director; Michael Les Benedict, Parliamentarian; Robbie Schneider, Interim AHR Editor; Elizabeth Lehfeldt, VP Teaching Division; Philippa Levine, VP Professional Division; Edmund Russell, VP Research Division; Jamil Zainaldin, Nominating Committee.

Manning called the meeting to order at 5:24 p.m., welcomed attendees and reviewed the agenda.

Report of the Executive Director
Grossman welcomed members. He acknowledged the changing political landscape in Washington, DC, and its implications for the AHA, including the possibility of more requests for public statements. The AHA will continue to advocate for the protection of government records, funding for the NEH and NHPRC, and the safety of historians in their workplaces, and will defend the place of history in public culture and contextualize events as they unfold. But the charged political situation raises questions about the boundaries of professional concerns and the public role of the Association. Grossman then reviewed the accomplishments of the past year, including the Tuning initiative and the Teaching Division’s new focus on enrollments, the development of the Career Diversity for Historians project (which will be supported by a new Mellon grant), the History of the African American Past conference, and a new logo for the Association. The AHA is working on redesigns for Perspectives and the AHA website, and will be focusing on the turnover rate for membership in 2017.

Report of the AHR Editor
Schneider reported that the journal has changed since 2005 when he first became editor, noting that the AHR has steadily introduced new genres and formats over the years, a priority that the journal will continue. He remarked that the board of editors has decided to initiate a series of retrospectives on articles from 25-30 years ago to reflect on their impact and relevance. Schneider noted that the scholarly article remains at the heart of the AHA’s work. Schneider thanked the community of historians who contribute by reviewing, the AHA staff, Oxford University Press staff, and Council.

Report of the Nominating Committee
Zainaldin announced the results of the 2016 election and thanked all nominees. The proposed constitutional changes were approved by the membership.

Reports of the Vice Presidents  
Professional Division
Levine reviewed the challenges posed to the Professional Division over the past three years of her tenure as vice president. The division has conducted a review of the various documents on the “Statements, Standards, and Guidelines for the Discipline” web page, including the AHA Statement on Standards of Professional Conduct. Existing documents have been revised, and new ones added in response to membership inquiries. The Professional Division created a new standing committee on LGBTQ history and addressed ethical issues in the discipline. The Division has had a greater presence at
the annual meeting, in part through sessions demystifying career diversity. Levine thanked AHA staff, in particular Emily Swafford and Liz Townsend, for their help.

Research Division
Russell thanked division members David Bell, Jim Sweet, and Farina Mir, and welcomed new member Becky Nicolaides. Over the past year the Research Division defended preservation of and access to historical records through letters to the French minister of culture about the Lyon Textile Museum and to the Port of Los Angeles about its archives. Russell reviewed the AHA’s new prizes and the developments in AHA publications, including the appointment of Alex Lichtenstein as the new editor of the AHR and a clarification of the AHA’s Principles of Oversight for the AHR.

Teaching Division
Lehfeldt thanked the members of the Teaching Division and welcomed new members. She highlighted the Teaching Division’s work to explore the complicated issue of dual/concurrent enrollment, in addition to continued work on the Tuning project, including the revised Discipline Core. The Division will prioritize the challenges relating to undergraduate course enrollments during Lehfeldt’s tenure as VP. Lehfeldt announced that department chairs have decided to organize regional meetings. She highlighted the AHA’s statement opposing a draft textbook for Mexican American Studies under consideration by the Texas Board of Education. The statement was apparently a significant factor in decision to reject the textbook.

Other Business
Manning presented Ruiz with a plaque in recognition of her service as president.

Report from Council
Manning announced that at its January 5 meeting, Council discussed petitions submitted by Professor Van Goss (Franklin & Marshall Coll.) on behalf of AHA members: one regarding “violations of academic freedom in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories;” the other relating to “blacklists” of students and faculty who “engage in nonviolent political action expressing diverse points of view on Israel/Palestine issues.” Council took no action on the first petition, and Manning quoted Grossman’s explanatory memo to Goss, stating that “Council discussed the complicated issues raised by petition. The discussion benefited from the experience of the American Anthropological Association. The investigative work requested is beyond the scope of the AHA.”

In response to the second petition, Manning announced that Council had voted to adopt the following statement: “The AHA upholds the rights of students, faculty, and other historians to speak freely and to engage in nonviolent political action expressing diverse perspectives on historical or contemporary issues. We condemn all efforts to intimidate those expressing their views. Specifically, we condemn in the strongest terms the creation, maintenance, and dissemination of blacklists and watchlists—through media (social and otherwise)—which identify specific individuals in ways that could lead to harassment and intimidation.”

No other business was raised by the membership. Manning announced Benedict’s retirement as AHA parliamentarian and thanked him for his long years of generous service. He then placed the gavel into the hands of incoming president Tyler Stovall. Stovall thanked the membership in advance for their support and closed the meeting at 6:13 p.m.
Council, Divisions, and Committees
Council

Patrick Manning (Univ. of Pittsburgh), president; Tyler E. Stovall (Univ. of California, Santa Cruz), president-elect; Vicki L. Ruiz (Univ. of California, Irvine), past president; Chris McNickle, treasurer; Philippa J. A. Levine (Univ. of Texas, Austin), vice president, Professional Division; Edmund P. Russell III (Boston Univ.), vice president, Research Division; Elizabeth A. Lealfeldt (Cleveland State Univ.), vice president, Teaching Division; David A. Bell (Princeton Univ.); Debjani Bhattacharyya (Drexel Univ.); Jeffrey A. Bowman (Kenyon Coll.); Catherine A. Epstein (Amherst Coll.); Trinidad Gonzales (South Texas Coll.); Farina Mir (Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor); Valerie Paley (New-York Historical Soc.); Brenda J. Santos (Achievement First); James H. Sweet (Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison)

Professional Division

Philippa Levine, vice president; Debjani Bhattacharyya; Catherine A. Epstein; Valerie Paley

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Edmund P. Russell III, vice president; David A. Bell; Farina Mir; James H. Sweet

Teaching Division

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Nominating Committee

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Committee on Committees

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Kristie Flannery, *Forging Loyalty to Spain in the Catholic Republic of Manila, 1750-1808*

Elizabeth Heath, *Everyday Colonialism: Commodities of Empire and the Crafting of French Capitalism, 1750-1950*

William Johnson, *'Machinery to Link Us Up': Transnational Black Feminism and Britain's Black Liberation Front*

Rajbir Judge, *Occult Intrigue: Sikhs, Anti-Colonial Resistance, and the Theosophical Society*
Katherine Lindeman, Lay Inquisitors: Dominicans, Municipal Structures, and Inquisition in Medieval Valencia

Terrence Peterson, Keeping Algeria French: Counterinsurgency, Development, and Colonial Utopianism, 1955-62

Kalyani Ramnath, Boats in a Storm: Law, Politics and Jurisdiction in Postwar South Asia
Geoffrey Traugh, Wealth is in the Soil: Gender, Environment, and the Politics of Rural Development in Malawi

Pelin Tunaydin, Republican Anxieties and Precarious Identities in Post-Ottoman Turkey: The Case of the Roma (Gypsies)

Carolyn Twomey, Living Water, Living Stone: The History and Material Culture of Baptism in Early Medieval Britain

Katharine White, The 'Red Woodstock' Festival and East German Youth between the East, West, and Global South, 1970s-90s

Faizah Zakaria, Sacral Ecologies of the North Sumatran Highlands, 1800-1928
Council Decisions and Actions
Through e-mail conversation from June 7, 2016, to December 1, 2016, and at meetings on January 5 and 8, 2017, the Council of the American Historical Association made the following decisions or actions:

- Approved signing on to a letter from the Coalition for International Education to the House Committee on Appropriations urging them to oppose the proposed cuts to the Title VI/Fulbright-Hays International education programs in the FY17 budget.
- Approved the name change of the Committee on LGBTQ History and Historians to the Committee on LGBTQ Status in the Profession.
- Approved the appointment of 2018 Program Committee members: James Carter, St. Joseph’s University (modern China); Rita Chin, University of Michigan (modern Europe); Purnima Dhavan, University of Washington, Seattle (South Asia, intellectual, religious); Trevor Getz, San Francisco State University (modern Africa); Kristina Giannotta, Naval Heritage and History Command (ancient, public); Toby Jones, Rutgers University (Middle East, environmental); Jennifer Morgan, New York University (colonial US, slavery); José Moya, Barnard College, Columbia University (Latin America, migration); Craig Perrier, Fairfax County Public Schools (K–12, US, education, historiography); Andres Tijerina, Austin Community College (US, borderlands, Chicano/Latino); Kathryn Tomasek, Wheaton College (19th-century US, digital, women); and David Whitford, Baylor University (early modern Europe, Reformation, religion). Endorsed the statement issued by Scholars at Risk calling for an ongoing dialogue about the restoration of legal rights to academics in Turkey.
- Approved signing on to a statement of concern from the Middle Eastern Studies Association regarding moves by the Turkish government to dismantle much of the structure of Turkish higher education through purges, restrictions, and assertions of central control.
- Appointed Alex Lichtenstein as the editor of the American Historical Review for a four-year term.
- Approved the charge to the AHA Committee on LGBTQ Status in the Profession.
- Approved the revisions to the Guidelines for the Preparation of Teachers of History.
- Approved a statement expressing concern to the Texas State Board of Education about the content of a recent draft of a textbook that has been submitted for approval for a Texas Mexican American studies course.
- Approved the recommendation of the Committee on Affiliated Societies to accept the affiliate application of the Midwestern Historical Association.
- Approved guidelines for the doctoral dissertation process. Appointed Edna Greene Medford, Howard University, and Aaron O’Connell, director of defense policy and strategy, National Security Council, White House, to co-chair the Local Arrangements Committee for the 2018 annual meeting in Washington, DC.
- Appointed Kenneth Ledford, Case Western Reserve University, to serve as AHA parliamentarian for a three-year term beginning in January 2017.
- Approved the following change to the Marraro Prize: from “. . . the best book on Italy . . .” to “. . . the best book on Italian history, Italian cultural history, or Italo-American cultural relations . . .” to more clearly reflect the intent of the prize fund bequest.
- Approved a letter to Polish president Andrzej Duda expressing concern about potential legal proceedings against historian Jan Tomasz Gross (Princeton Univ.) due to his historical work ascribing the responsibility for crimes against humanity during World War II.
- Approved a letter to the US Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell recommending the designation of a National Monument to Reconstruction in the Beaufort, South Carolina, area.
- Approved the following order of locations for upcoming AHA annual meetings: Seattle (2021), New Orleans (2022), Philadelphia (2023), San Francisco (2024), and New York (2025).
• Approved the June 2016 meeting minutes, the December 2016 meeting minutes, the 2017 committee appointments, and the 2019 program committee chairs appointments.
• Approved the nominee for the 2017 Honorary Foreign Member (to be announced at a later date).
• Approved the Statement on the Right to Nonviolent Political Action, which condemns all efforts to intimidate those expressing their views.
• Approved revisions to the Statement on Standards of Professional Conduct and to several professional guidelines issued previously by the AHA.
• Approved a Statement on the Right to Engage in Collective Bargaining.
• Granted approval to members of the Teaching Division to explore the feasibility of the Measuring College Learning project.
• Approved changes to the Statement on Excellent Classroom Teaching.
• Approved a process for Association members to propose late-breaking sessions for the annual meeting, which will be announced in fall 2017.
• Approved nondiscrimination language to be incorporated into all applicable AHA policy statements and best practices documents to refer consistently and comprehensively to “sex, gender, gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation, and marital status.”
• Approved the nomination of William Wechsler to the Investment Subcommittee.
• Received the Fiscal Year 2015–16 Audit.