

Alexandria Historical Society

Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 9

Attending: Debbie Ackerman, Francine Bromberg, Tal Day, Krystyn Moon, Steve Kimbel, Severiano Ortiz, Elizabeth Peckham, Julia Randle, Catherine Weinraub

Not Attending: Audrey Davis, Erin Bush (called in), Katy Cannady, Caroline English, Ginny Hamill, Patrick Ladden,

1. The March 2019 board meeting notes were approved, with Tal's corrections. Steve moved. Tal seconded. All approved.
2. Debriefing on Zachary Schrag's Talk – all agreed it was enjoyable, he made an excellent point, and had a depth to himself
3. Plans for Spring 2019
 - a. April 24: AHS Award Event
Mayor is coming. Caroline is on top of checks and letters have been sent out to recipients. Debbie will send names of students to Fran and Fran will do press. Krystyn will have a work study student plug in the information for the program. Debbie and Julia will get together about the food for the evening. Catherine has agreed to be photographer.
 - b. May 22: Cynthia Kierner, "We Cannot be Tame Spectators: Three Centuries of Virginia Women's History"
Krysytn will invite the Women's Committee in the city and Girl Scouts to come. She will comp the Girl Scouts. She will also invite schools.
 - c. June 26: Eleanor Breen, "The Early History of Seaport Alexandria: New Insights from Archaeology"
Already have 10 RSVPs
4. T. Michael Miller Award
Discussed above
5. Board Retirements/Recruitment
Julia Randall and Caroline English will not be returning. Servio will take over as Treasurer. Will need a HARC and a T. Michael Miller awards person.
John Humphries from T.C. Williams is interested in serving.
6. Publicity
Fran will get awards and lecture information out. Serv suggested getting info to VisitAlexandria to help promote.
7. Chronicle update: Sue Kovach-Shuman, at one time with the *Washington Post*, will have a draft in the near future. The fall Chronicle can include one of Krystyn's short pieces if need be. Other possibilities include the Abingdon Plantation or something about Mason's descendants, one of whom was a mayor of Alexandria..
8. Newsletter update
Elizabeth put out a Newsletter a week ago and the next one will go out in early May.
9. Plans for Fall 2019-Spring 2020
 - a. Char Bah for Wednesday, September 25, at 7:30pm is confirmed
 - b. Doug _____ in October Slave Housing in VA

c. Need November

- d. March is potential Ivy Hill Cemetery Lecture (or AHS Member only event)
- e. May – Jewish Immigration in Alexandria
- f. June – History of Masonic Memorial with access to Fourth Floor

10. Treasurer report

Next two months - \$800-\$1,000 for award, \$550 for May Lecture, \$250 for Honorarium, \$300 for Recording, \$700 for Chronicle, \$2,500 Total

Try to keep \$2,000 in checking at all times

11. Correspondence

Steve suggested Archaeology rep becomes Section 106 rep as there is no longer a need to respond. Fran will talk to Garrett and get a recommendation.

12. HARC

Justice Black's House at 619 Lee Street. Had an April 13 meeting and petitions. State has approved and city is trying to stop it.

Metro is shutting down this summer. Alternative routes include the water taxi.

Alexandria is seeing more banners hung and branded as a portside city.

The Ramsey's Home- archaeologists found nothing at site.

Park Mobile is coming to Alexandria.

Christ Church sold the Ross Building for a 99-year lease for apartments

During May is Preservation Month and OHA is giving free tours at sites. June 1st will be a DDay Commemoration Day at Waterfront Park

May 16th at 7pm will be a lecture on Franklin and Armfield at the Lyceum

13. Archaeology – no Katy ☹️

Krystyn moved to end the meeting and Steve seconded. The meeting came to an end at 7:50pm.

The next meeting will be May 14th at 6:30pm.