ASH Redesign History of ASH Work Group
Tuesday, April 19, 2022 11am – 12pm | Conference Call

Agenda
1. Welcome
2. Review first half of workgroup recommendation
3. Review draft Sustainability recommendations
4. Review draft Funding recommendations
5. Update on Bullock exhibit and event
6. Close

Attendees:
Sherley Spears, DD Clark, Sydney Harris, Elizabeth Stauber, Jenna Cooper, Peggy Perry, Bill Bush

Minutes:
Welcome
Group was welcomed, new member introduced, and agenda reviewed.

Review first half of workgroup recommendation
Reviewed recommendation for ASH CHC including location, themes, and preservation staff. Discussed physical spaces in center and whether there should be a phased approach. Suggested moving exhibit space to the top of the list. Suggested combining reading and classroom. Discussed buildout needs for certain spaces, like additional technological needs. Group suggested removing phased approach and include all physical spaces in recommendations with justifications for each and potential dual use spaces. Group discussed potential charge for use of space and who should bear the cost. Group discussed preservation staff and who is needed immediately and who could be hired at a later date. Discussed how to add some responsibilities to existing positions vs hiring a brand-new role. Also discussed options for “soft money” positions which could be funded via start up funding.

Review draft Sustainability recommendations
Group reviewed suggested recommendations from the sustainability group. Discussed Oral History project and details that still need to be ironed out for recommendation. Jenna Cooper is working on the preservation needs assessment, with hopes to provide recommendations and a final report in the next few months. Confirmed assessment would have scalable recommendations. A member shared effort they are working on around oral history collections through a different group, some of which have been collected and received verbal approval for use at the time the history was obtained. It was suggested that the member obtain a signed statement in addition to the verbal permission to avoid any complications in the future. Group agreed all oral history efforts should be combined to reduce duplication of efforts.

Review draft Funding recommendations
Reviewed draft recommendations for funding. CMS software recommendations for purchase. Group is also recommending expanding funding list and solidifying a communications plan. Asked the group to provide feedback on the top three priorities for the CMS system.

Update on Bullock exhibit and event
Briefly reviewed the event being held at the Bullock Museum. Shared link in comments.

Close
Reviewed timeline and meetings for the remaining of the group.