

ALHFAM Committee on Regional Networking (CORN) report
June 2015

By and large, the regions continue to function reasonably well. Geographically large regions with small populations like Atlantic Canada continue to struggle, but most others are active as evidenced by successful or planned regional conferences.

The West Virginia Compact with the Midwest Open Air Museums Coordinating Council seems be working well. It is due for its periodic ratification, and the appended amended version (see Article X) has been ratified by the MOMCC board, and now awaits ratification by the ALHFAM board.

Over the past year I have encouraged the regional representatives to follow the lead of the parent organization, and elect an associate/vice/assistant regional representative to succeed the regional representative, preferably in a stated number of years. This will facilitate successions, allow for fresh leadership and greater involvement by members, promote continuity as the associate rep will have the chance to work with the existing rep before taking over, and ensure that the office of regional rep will not become vacant. Rather than bog things down with printed ballots and deciding who is qualified to vote, etc. but in order to keep things open and democratic, said elections should be done at either the regional gatherings at the annual ALHFAM meeting, or at a meeting of that region, with the current regional representative presiding, nominations from the floor, and voice voting. The South-East and in theory the Mid-Atlantic already follow this procedure. I hope the ALHFAM board concurs with my suggestion to representatives in this regard.

An increasingly vexing issue that the board needs to address is that of regional treasuries, and access to them by the Secretary Treasurer. Increasingly many banks balk at an absentee signatory of accounts, and as a result some representatives report difficulty maintaining regional funds in an accessible account. I would appreciate board direction in this regard.

Three regions request the \$250 annual stipend: Western and Atlantic Canada; and the South-East. These seem like reasonable requests and I recommend we grant them.

The issue of changing regional boundaries in the west and mountain/plains has again been raised by some. My reply to such suggestions has remained the same, viz. to write a proposed plan including its benefits and possible problems that I can bring before the board. No such document has been presented, however.

Only two regions, the South East and the independent but affiliated MOMCC, have their own by-laws. I append those of the former.

Semi-annual reports from the regions follow, along with the West Virginia Compact.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Kelleher, CORN chair

REPORT FROM WESTERN REGION

Report date: May 21, 2015

Regional Representative: Mick Woodcock

Other regional officers: None.

Meetings/conferences held and/or scheduled since last report:

Upcoming Meetings/conferences planned: dates, theme, location and any other information

“Partnering for the Future”, September 23-26, 2015, hosted by the Yamhill Heritage Center, McMinnville, OR. Eugene, OR 2016

Newsletters & other publications (actual and scheduled): Spring 2015 (actual), Fall 2015 (scheduled)

Other notes or other activities or comments (PLEASE list your current officers, elected or appointed in your region). Attach your region's bylaws or procedures manual if you have one.

Newsletter Designer : Jessica Maria Alicia-Covarrubias

Newsletter Editor: Eileen Hook

Number of ALHFAM members in the region at last semi-annual report: 71

Number of ALHFAM members currently in the region: 65

Regional Membership Chair: None

Do you contact new ALHFAM members from your region? (How quickly do you do this after you receive the information from the ALHFAM treasurer?)

I try to get a welcome letter out within a week of receiving the information from Judi Sheridan.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Date of last financial report: October 15, 2014

Ending balance from last financial report: \$7031.30

Income: None

Expenses: \$1225.00

Closing balance (date): \$5806.30 as of May 21, 2015

Have you changed banks or signatures? No

What bank is now holding your account? National Bank of Arizona

Is Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan a co-signer on your account? Yes.

Did you send Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan your end of year balance for ALHFAM tax reporting purposes? Yes.

What sources of income does your Region have? Auction at the regional meeting.

Is your Region's income adequate to needs such as fellowships, office expenses, support of Regional Conferences, etc.? Yes.

Do you want to request the \$250 stipend ALHFAM provides for regions? No

REPORT FROM Western Canada REGION - June 2015

Report date: May 26, 2015

Regional Representative: Susan Reckseidler

Other regional officers: none

Meetings/conferences held and/or scheduled since last report: none

Upcoming Meetings/conferences planned: dates, theme, location and any other information
none

Newsletters & other publications (actual and scheduled):

Other notes or other activities or comments (PLEASE list your current officers, elected or appointed in your region). Attach your region's bylaws or procedures manual if you have one. Established a Facebook page in November, 2014. Have 74 followers. Kesia Kvill is co-administrator for the Facebook page.

Number of ALHFAM members in the region at last semi-annual report: 30

Number of ALHFAM members currently in the region: 30

Regional Membership Chair:

Do you contact new ALHFAM members from your region? (How quickly do you do this after you receive the information from the ALHFAM treasurer?) Welcome email sent to new members within 2 weeks of receiving names from Judi.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Date of last financial report: October 15, 2014

Ending balance from last financial report: \$193.50

Income: \$0

Expenses: \$0

Closing balance (date): \$193.50 (May 26, 2015)

Have you changed banks or signatures? no

What bank is now holding your account? none

Is Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan a co-signer on your account? Did you send Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan your end of year balance for ALHFAM tax reporting purposes? Submitted with fall regional report.

What sources of income does your Region have? Regional auction

Is your Region's income adequate to needs such as fellowships, office expenses, support of Regional Conferences, etc.?

Do you want to request the \$250 stipend ALHFAM provides for regions? Possibly?

If Yes – briefly describe the uses for the stipend and how this will benefit regional members:
Would like to see a Regional conference planned for 2016 but will need commitment from other members willing to take on the organization with support from the Regional Rep.

REPORT FROM MID ATLANTIC REGION -- June 2015

Report date: May 29, 2015

Regional Representative: Danielle Houghton & Carrie Fellows

Other regional officers: Tony Shahan, Treasurer

Meetings/conferences held and/or scheduled since last report:

Our most recent business meeting was held on March 21, 2015 during the regional conference hosted by the Monmouth County Park System, Lincroft, NJ

Upcoming Meetings/conferences planned:

In 2016 the regional meeting will be April 1-3, & hosted by Historic St. Mary's City, Maryland

Newsletters & other publications (actual and scheduled):

No publications scheduled at this time

Other notes or other activities or comments (PLEASE list your current officers, elected or appointed in your region). Attach your region's bylaws or procedures manual if you have one.

Current Officers

Co-Regional Representative: Danielle Houghton (term expires 2017)

Co-Regional Representative: Carrie Fellows (term expires 2019)

Treasurer: Tony Shahan

Number of ALHFAM members in the region at last semi-annual report:

As of October 21, 2014: 212 (all categories)

As of October 21, 2014 the region had a total of 212 members, including 9 Business, 46 Institution, 16 Joint, 3 Library, 90 Regular, 9 Retired, 6 Student, and 33 Supporting members. (as per regional records; unofficial)

Number of ALHFAM members currently in the region:

As of May 29, 2015: 205 (all categories)

As of May 29, 2015 the region has a total of 205 members, including 7 Business, 50 Institution, 16 Joint, 2 Library, 1 Patron, 85 Regular, 11 Retired, 6 Student, and 27 Supporting members. (as per national records 5/20/15)

Regional Membership Chair : Chair Vacant

Do you contact new ALHFAM members from your region? (How quickly do you do this after you receive the information from the ALHFAM treasurer? If you do not do this, but the "regional membership chair" does, then please include that person's answer to this question here.)

A letter is sent to all new members welcoming them to the region. These are sent as soon as possible (typically within a day or two) upon receipt of the member's contact information.

Mid-Atlantic FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Balance October 21, 2014	\$10,219.30
Income	
ALHFAM Online Auction	\$ 297.50
Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference	\$ 5,110.51
Regional Conference Auction	<u>\$ 1,123.00</u>
	\$ 6,531.01
Expense	
Regional Conference Fellowships (3)	\$ 675.35
Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference Exp	<u>\$ 3,192.41</u>
	(\$ 3,867.76)
Liabilities	
National Conference Fellowships (5)	\$ 3,050.00
	(\$ 3,050.00)
Balance May 18, 2015	<u>\$ 9,832.55</u>

Have you changed banks or signatures? No

What bank is now holding your account? Bryn Mawr Trust

Is Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan a co-signer on your account? (Remember, except for MOMCC, ALHFAM regions are not financially separate entities.) Yes

Did you send Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan your end of year balance for ALHFAM tax reporting purposes? Yes

What sources of income does your Region have? Online Auction, Regional Conferences, Conference Auctions

Is your Region's income adequate to needs such as fellowships, office expenses, support of Regional Conferences, etc.? YES!

Do you want to request the \$250 stipend ALHFAM provides for regions? No

REPORT FROM ATLANTIC CANADA REGION - June 2015

Report date: *May 30, 2015*

Regional Representative: *Angie Jack; no other regional officers*

Meetings/conferences held and/or scheduled since last report: *none*

Upcoming Meetings/conferences planned: *Tentative meeting planned for the fall of 2015, date and location TBA*

Newsletters & other publications (actual and scheduled): *none*

Other notes or other activities or comments *New Regional Representative: Angie Jack*

Number of ALHFAM members in the region at last semi-annual report: **8**

Number of ALHFAM members currently in the region: **8**

Regional Membership Chair: *TBA*

Do you contact new ALHFAM members from your region? How quickly do you do this after you receive the information from the ALHFAM treasurer? **Yes**

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Date of last financial report: *Unknown*

Ending balance from last financial report: *Unknown*

Income: *none*

Expenses: *none*

Closing balance (date): *Unknown*

Have you changed banks or signatures? **N/A**

What bank is now holding your account? **N/A**

Is Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan a co-signer on your account?

Did you send Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan your end of year balance for ALHFAM tax reporting purposes?

What sources of income does your Region have? *None*

Is your Region's income adequate to needs such as fellowships, office expenses, support of Regional Conferences, etc.? **No**

Do you want to request the \$250 stipend ALHFAM provides for regions? *Yes please.*

If Yes – briefly describe the uses for the stipend and how this will benefit regional members:

I am in the planning stages of hosting a regional meeting for the fall of 2015. The two hundred-fifty dollars would be beneficial in the hosting of this meeting.

Note:

I have been unable to contact the treasurer at this time. It has been reported to me, by Tom LeClair, that there was a very small amount of funds in an account that the treasurer had. It has been unconfirmed that the treasurer has resigned. Tom LeClair has stated that he would fill the treasurer's position if required. I will update when information has been confirmed.

(Additional note from Tom K.: Angie could not identify the missing treasurer by name but said Tom LeClair was working on it. I could not reach him.)

REPORT FROM Mountain Plains REGION - June 2015

Report date: 31 May 2015

Regional Representative: Kay Cynova; no other regional officers

Meetings/conferences held and/or scheduled since last report: - *Interpreting Our Multicultural Past* was held October 9-11, 2014, Hosted by The George M. Murrell Home History Site in Park Hill, OK.

Upcoming Meetings/conferences planned: No meeting planned for 2015 – No offers to host submitted.

Newsletters & other publications (actual and scheduled): None

Other notes or other activities or comments: Possibility of a costume convergence/workshop/roundtable in Texas or a Curator workshop in Montana later this fall. Still under development. Was asked by Tim Talbott about once again joining with MOMCC for a joint regional in Olathe in November 2016, have not heard of any firm dates yet.

Number of ALHFAM members in the region at last semi-annual report: 94

Number of ALHFAM members currently in the region: 94

Regional Membership Chair: No one has stepped forward.

Do you contact new ALHFAM members from your region? Send emails as soon as possible after receiving information from Judith. Point them to the national web page, Facebook page and regional Facebook page. Currently have 171 Facebook followers on our regional page. Kay Cynova and Derrick Birdsall are page managers.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Date of last financial report: 5 October 2014

Ending balance from last financial report: \$6668.40.

Income: Deposit 11/20/2014 \$22.11 profit from regional conference, 2/14/2015 \$79 from Online Auction. Total : 101.11

Expenses: Dispersed \$100 for 2014 Conference entertainment, and \$100 for signs for Conference (reusable) Total \$200.

Closing balance (date): \$6569.51 Bank statement date 22 May 2015 (received 29 May 2015)

Have you changed banks or signatures? No

What bank is now holding your account? Home Federal Bank, Grand Island, NE

Is Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan a co-signer on your account? Yes

Did you send Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan your end of year balance for ALHFAM tax reporting purposes? Yes

What sources of income does your Region have? Conferences & Online Auction

Is your Region's income adequate to needs such as fellowships, office expenses, support of Regional Conferences, etc.? At this time, yes.

Do you want to request the \$250 stipend ALHFAM provides for regions? No

REPORT FROM New England REGION - June 2015 - submitted by Katy O'Neill-Day

Report date: *May 31st, 2015*

Regional Representative: *Katy O'Neill-Day ~ Elected March 14th, 2015*

Other regional officers: *Rhys Simmons, membership chair*

Meetings/conferences held and/or scheduled since last report:

Regional Conference at Mystic Seaport, March 2015

Upcoming Meetings/conferences planned:

Regional 2016 is pending a host

Newsletters & other publications (actual and scheduled):

Future newsletter to be sent out post Annual conference 2015.

Other notes or other activities or comments (PLEASE list your current officers, elected or appointed in your region). Attach your region's bylaws or procedures manual if you have one.

Number of ALHFAM members in the region at last semi-annual report: **59**

Number of ALHFAM members currently in the region: **68**

Regional Membership Chair: *Rhys Simmons*

Do you contact new ALHFAM members from your region? How quickly do you do this after you receive the information from the ALHFAM treasurer?

I created a postcard with my picture to introduce myself and welcome new members to ALHFAM. I sent postcards to all new members starting with the 3-01-2015 date. I continue to send these postcards to new members with a one to two business days of receiving the names from Judith S.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

In my possession I have \$258.00 cash, and two checks totaling \$148.00. These funds were received directly from the ALFHAM auction that took place at Mystic Seaport for the Regional meeting, March 13-15, 2015

I do not have information on any financial aspects as the Regional Representative. Nothing has been passed on to me, nor have I received the information I need to open a bank account locally. Judith S. is working on some of these details.

Note from Tom K. : Due to local banks not allowing out of state signatories to accounts, past Regional Rep. Ryan Beckman placed the ALHFAM regional funds in a dedicated account at Old Sturbridge Village until the issue Katy refers to can be resolved. Not ideal but at least safe. I will light yet another fire under Ryan to resolve all this with Katy.

Date of last financial report: **Oct. 24, 2014**

Ending balance from last financial report: **\$5434.61**

Income: **\$406** (auction revenue in hands of Rep. Katy Day)

Expenses: **\$425(Fellowship)**

Closing balance (date): \$5,009.61 in account + \$406 = \$5415.61

Have you changed banks or signatures? See above

What bank is now holding your account? See above

Is Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan a co-signer on your account?

Did you send Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan your end of year balance for ALHFAM tax reporting purposes?

What sources of income does your Region have? Regional conferences and auctions

Is your Region's income adequate to needs such as fellowships, office expenses, support of Regional Conferences, etc.? Yes

Do you want to request the \$250 stipend ALHFAM provides for regions? No

REPORT FROM MOMCC REGION- June 2015

Report date: May 2015

Regional Representative: Betsy Urven

Other regional officers:

Jon Kuester – Past President

Betsy Urven – President

Kyle Bagnall - Vice President

Dawn Bondhus Mueller – Secretary

Lindsey Wallace – Treasurer

Jim Bloomstrand, Melinda Cerriker, Mike Follin – Members at Large

Becky Crabb - Spring Conference Coordinator

Monique Inglot - Fall Conference Coordinator

Julie Brown - Editor in Chief

Rachel Neubauer, Ed Crabb – Web Master

Meetings/conferences held and/or scheduled since last report: Spring Conference, March

Fall Conference – November 13 – 15, 2014, Midland, MI – *Cultivating a Sense of Place; Connecting Visitors to the Stories of Your Site*

Spring Conference – March 12 – 14, 2015, Collinsville, IL – *Mounds, Muskets, Museums and Malt*

CALF Club met January, 2015 – representatives of four Chicago area sites attended

Upcoming Meetings/conferences planned: dates, theme, location and any other information

Fall Conference – November 5 – 7, 2015 Elkhart Lake, WI – *When History Doesn't Matter: Missions, Visions, and Reality*

Spring Conference – March 10 – 12, 2016, Delphi, IN – *Storied Past, Stellar Future*

Newsletters & other publications (actual and scheduled):

2 issues of 2014 magazine completed

1 issue of 2015 magazine at layout

Other notes or other activities or comments (PLEASE list your current officers, elected or appointed in your region). Attach your region's bylaws or procedures manual if you have one.

Number of ALHFAM members in the region at last semi-annual report:

Number of ALHFAM members currently in the region: 264 – MOMCC members are automatically ALHFAM members

(MOMCC report continued)

Regional Membership Chair (The ALHFAM board encourages regions to appoint or elect a regional membership chair. The person will communicate with other regional membership chairs in the ALHFAM Membership Committee): Kyle Bagnall

Do you contact new ALHFAM members from your region? (How quickly do you do this after you receive the information from the ALHFAM treasurer? If you do not do this, but the “regional membership chair” does, then please include that person’s answer to this question here.)

Members are contacted less than week after the information is received from ALHFAM. They are encouraged to become involved and informed about upcoming conferences.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION ; NOTE: MOMCC is a financially independent entity

Date of last financial report: March 8, 2015

Ending balance from last financial report:

Income: 11753.39

Expenses: 14245.61

Closing balance (date):

Have you changed banks or signatures? no

What bank is now holding your account? First Mid Illinois Bank

Is Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan a co-signer on your account? (Remember, except for MOMCC, ALHFAM regions are not financially separate entities.) no

Did you send Secretary/Treasurer Judi Sheridan your end of year balance for ALHFAM tax reporting purposes? no

What sources of income does your Region have? memberships and conferences

Is your Region's income adequate to needs such as fellowships, office expenses, support of Regional Conferences, etc.? yes

Do you want to request the \$250 stipend ALHFAM provides for regions? no

If Yes – briefly describe the uses for the stipend and how this will benefit regional members:

REPORT FROM Southeast Region - June 2015

Report date: *June 1, 2015*

Regional Representative: *Eve King*

Other regional officers: *Kari Barley, Co Representative/Regional Membership Chair*

Dean Hardman, Treasurer

Wind Chapman, Newsletter Editor

Meetings/conferences held and/or scheduled since last report:

Regional Conference hosted by Burritt on the Mountain, Hunstville, AL

Upcoming Meetings/conferences planned: dates, theme, location and any other information

The SE Regional Conference is scheduled for March 2016, hosted by Jackson's Mill, WV

Newsletters & other publications (actual and scheduled): *SE Regional Facebook page only.*

Other notes or other activities or comments (PLEASE list your current officers, elected or appointed in your region). Attach your region's bylaws or procedures manual if you have one.

The Bylaws were amended to allow a Treasurer position which will serve a 2 year term. This was voted on at the Regional Meeting in Hunstville, Alabama. I am currently working on putting this in writing in our bylaws.

Number of ALHFAM members in the region at last semi-annual report: *159*

Number of ALHFAM members currently in the region: *190*

Regional Membership Chair: *Kari Barley*

Do you contact new ALHFAM members from your region? (How quickly do you do this after you receive the information from the ALHFAM treasurer?) *Regional membership chair Kari Barley.*

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Date of last financial report: *October 2014*

Ending balance from last financial report: *\$9818.47*

Income: *\$3006.12 (online auction and regional conference)*

Expenses: *\$2310.00 (Regional Conference and fellowships)*

Closing balance (05/31/2015): *\$10514.59*

Have you changed banks or signatures? *No*

What bank is now holding your account? *Citizen's Bank of Weston*

Is Judi Sheridan a co-signer on your account? *Yes*

Did you send Judi your end of year balance for ALHFAM tax reporting purposes? *Yes*

What sources of income does your Region have? *Profits from Regional Conferences and auction, On-line auction and ALHFAM*

Is your Region's income adequate to needs such as fellowships, office expenses, support of Regional Conferences, etc.? *Yes*

Do you want to request the \$250 stipend ALHFAM provides for regions? *Yes*

If Yes – briefly describe the uses for the stipend and how this will benefit regional members:

To help offset any printing costs for meeting agendas and financial reports and to utilize for expenses for the regional conferences

REPORT FROM Central Canada REGION - June 2015

Report date: June 2015

Regional Representative: Darryl Wines

Other regional officers: Karin Taylor

Meetings/conferences held and/or scheduled since last report: None

Upcoming Meetings/conferences planned: dates, theme, location and any other information

Next conference fall 2015 @ Upper Canada Village, Morrisburg, Ontario. Date TBA shortly.

Newsletters & other publications (actual and scheduled): None, although regional Facebook page continues to see moderate use.

Other notes or other activities or comments (PLEASE list your current officers, elected or appointed in your region). Attach your region's bylaws or procedures manual if you have one.
Karin Taylor will assume the role of regional rep effective immediately.

Number of ALHFAM members in the region at last semi-annual report: 44

Number of ALHFAM members currently in the region: 45

Regional Membership Chair : Not one at present, although working on setting up a board which will include this position.

Do you contact new ALHFAM members from your region? (How quickly do you do this after you receive the information from the ALHFAM treasurer? If you do not do this, but the "regional membership chair" does, then please include that person's answer to this question here.) Yes, upon receipt of contact info from Judi.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Closing balance (date): \$1026.00

Have you changed banks or signatures? No

What bank is now holding your account? BMO Morrisburg

Is Judi Sheridan a co-signer on your account? No

Did you send Judi your end of year balance for ALHFAM tax reporting purposes? No

What sources of income does your Region have? Just conference surplus, if any.

Is your Region's income adequate to needs such as fellowships, office expenses, support of Regional Conferences, etc.? Thus far conferences have been financially sustainable. It is the goal of the region to generate enough revenue at regional conferences to raise the funds required to support an annual fellowship.

Do you want to request the \$250 stipend ALHFAM provides for regions? No

**Bylaws of the Southeast Region of the
Association of Living History, Farm and Agriculture Museums**

ARTICLE I: NAME AND OFFICE

Section 1. The name of the organization shall be the Southeast Region of the Association of Living History, Farm and Agriculture Museums, or SEALHFAM.

Section 2. The principle office of the association shall be that of the registered agent

ARTICLE II: MISSION AND PURPOSE

Section 1. The purpose of SEALHFAM is to complement on a regional level the mission and goals of the Association of Living History, Farm and Agriculture Museums (ALHFAM); to facilitate communication between ALHFAM and its members in the region; to encourage interaction and cooperation between members of ALHFAM located in the region; and the development of public support for and interest in ALHFAM's goals on a regional level.

Section 2. SEALHFAM shall comply with all national, state, and local laws.

Section 3. The ALHFAM Board has ultimate responsibility for SEALHFAM, including fiduciary responsibility for SEALHFAM.

ARTICLE III: FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year of the association shall be January 1 through December 31 in each calendar year.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership shall be restricted to current members of ALHFAM located in the southeastern region of the United States including Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and US Virgin Islands.

Section 2. Membership categories will be the same as ALHFAM.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS AND GOVERNMENT

Section 1. Elected officers shall be current members of SEALHFAM at the time of the region's annual meeting.

Section 2. The elected officers shall be Regional Representative, Regional Co-Representative, and Newsletter Editor. Regional Co-Representative will be elected to serve two years, and will automatically transition to the position of Regional Representative for two years. Newsletter Editor will be elected to serve a two year term. Elections for Co-Representative and Newsletter Editor will be staggered, with elections for each position held on alternating years. The elected officers shall function as an Executive Board. The Executive Board has the power to approve and remove appointees.

Section 3. The Regional Representative shall preside at all business meetings of SEALHFAM, shall serve on the ALHFAM Committee On Regional Networking, shall serve as liaison between the ALHFAM Board and the membership of SEALHFAM, shall assist the chair of the SEALHFAM regional conference, shall have custody of all monies belonging to SEALHFAM, shall account of all expenditures and receipts, shall report thereon at the business meetings of the organization and to the ALHFAM Board whenever so directed by them, and such other duties as the membership may direct.

Section 4. The Regional Co-Representative shall perform the duties of the Regional Representative in case the Regional Representative is absent or incapacitated, shall perform the duties of regional membership chair, and such other duties as the membership may direct.

Section 5. The Newsletter Editor shall be responsible for producing the official quarterly newsletter of SEALHFAM.

Section 6. An elected officer may be removed by a two-thirds majority vote of the membership for a violation of the Bylaws, for engaging in conduct prejudicial to the interests of the organization, for failing to meet the responsibilities of an elected office or obligation, for failing to maintain individual membership in the organization, or for three consecutive absences from regional business meetings. Anyone in the General Membership may submit a written statement of charges accompanied with documentation that substantiates such charges at a regional business meeting.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

Section 1. During each year, a regional conference shall be held at a date to be designated by the Regional Representative and the host site. A regional business meeting will be held as part of the regional conference to facilitate the election of officers and the conducting of regional business.

Section 2. The location of the regional conference shall be determined by the membership from among suitable sites.

Section 3. Regional conference date and location will be announced 6 months in advance of that meeting, and notices shall be sent to all members at least 30 days in advance of that meeting.

Section 4. A regional business meeting shall also be held during the annual ALHFAM conference in order to conduct any regional business except elections.

Section 5. Special meetings may be called by the Regional Representative, and notices shall be sent to all members at least 30 days in advance of that meeting.

ARTICLE VII: COMMITTEES

Section 1. The regional conference planning committee shall be composed of the Conference Chair, a Program Chair, a Local Arrangements Chair, and the Regional Representative.

Section 2. Ad hoc committees may be formed at the discretion of the Regional Representative, to meet the current needs of SEALHFAM.

ARTICLE VIII: FINANCES

Section 1. Income & Expenditures: SEALHFAM manages funds generated by conferences and other regional activities. The regional representative oversees the budget as approved by members at regional business meetings. Non-budgeted expenses above \$500 must be approved by regional officers.

Section 2. Loans: no loans shall be contracted on behalf of the association, and no evidence of indebtedness shall be in its name, unless authorized by vote of the General membership.

Section 3. Checks, drafts, etc.: Except for legitimate expenses of SEALHFAM, or SEALHFAM publications and legitimate expenses to authorized persons, no money in any form shall be issued without approval of the general membership. No donations of any kind shall be made with association funds without the approval, by vote, of the general membership.

Section 4. Donations: No donations of any kind shall be made with SEALHFAM funds without the approval, by vote, of the general membership.

Section 5: Gifts: the Regional Representative may accept, on behalf of the organization, any contributions, donations, honorariums or gifts generated due to regional activity for deposit in the regional treasury .

Section 6. Compensation: Elected regional officers shall not receive any salaries for performing their duties. Members and Officers may apply for reimbursement, but must present to the Regional Representative proof through receipts, of legitimate expenses.

Section 7. Accounts: The Regional Representative may create a bank account for the SEALHFAM treasury. SEALHFAM does business as ALHFAM and uses the international organization's FIN when opening the regional account. The Regional Representative and Regional Co-Representative will be co-signers on the account. Regions receiving funds from ALHFAM must also have the Secretary/Treasurer of ALHFAM listed as a co-signer on financial accounts.

ARTICLE IX: DISSOLUTION AND DEDICATION OF ASSETS

Section 1. The ALHFAM Board can reorganize SEALHFAM in keeping with the goals of the international organization, but changes will be discussed in open forums and agreed upon as much as possible by all parties.

Section 2. All financial resources of SEALHFAM remain part of the financial responsibility of ALHFAM, including any outstanding debts that a region might incur.

Section 3. In the case of the dissolution of ALHFAM, the bylaws of that organization take precedent over the preservation of SEALHFAM.

ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These Bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed, or new Bylaws may be adopted at any annual or special meeting of the membership by the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members present, provided notice of the proposed alteration, amendment or repeal or adoption be contained in the notice of such a meeting.

1. Submit changes in writing to the Regional Representative.
2. Representative submits amendment to the general membership.

APPENDIX: West Virginia Compact with MOMCC

West Virginia Compact

3/9/15 Draft/AB

Change in red,

A reciprocal membership Agreement between the Association for Living History, Farm and Agricultural Museums and the Midwest Open Air Museums Coordinating Council

Article 1: Names and Affiliations

Section 1: ALHFAM refers to the Association for Living History, Farm and Agricultural Museums.

Section 2: MOMCC refers to the Midwest Open Air Museums Coordinating Council.

Section 3: ALHFAM recognizes MOPCC as its representative of the Midwest Region. The Midwest region is defined as the eight states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Section 4: West Virginia Compact refers to the joint membership agreement between ALHFAM and MOPCC.

Article II: Purpose and Intent of the West Virginia Compact

Section 1: The purpose of the West Virginia Compact is to describe and define an agreement between ALHFAM and MOPCC concerning the terms

and benefits of joint membership for members of both associations residing within the Midwest region. Through this agreement, members of MOPCC residing within the eight Midwestern states will receive membership to ALHFAM, and, reciprocally, ALHFAM members residing within the eight Midwestern states will receive membership in MOPCC.

Section 2: Both ALHFAM and MOPCC view this agreement as a first step in establishing a long-term agreement that extends joint membership benefits to all ALHFAM and MOPCC members within the Midwest, and ensures that ALHFAM and MOPCC members share all membership benefits equally.

Article III: Joint Membership Benefits and Privileges

Section 1: ALHFAM Members in the Midwest Individuals who are currently individual, joint or supporting members in good standing in ALHFAM and who reside within the Midwest region will receive automatic membership in MOPCC. Reciprocal membership will include full voting privileges, reduced conference rates, eligibility for conference fellowships, access to the MOPCC website and all other membership privileges with the exception of publications. With the exception of publications, all members will be treated equally under the bylaws of MOPCC regardless of the origin of their membership.

Section 2: MOPCC Members in the Midwest

Individuals who are currently individual or household members in good standing in MOPCC and who

reside within the Midwest region will receive automatic membership in ALHFAM. Reciprocal membership will include full voting privileges, reduced conference rates, eligibility for conference fellowships, access to the ALHFAM web site and ALHFAM-L and all other membership privileges with the exception of publications. With the exception of publications, all members will be treated equally under the bylaws of ALHFAM regardless of the origin of their membership.

Section 3: Institutional Members of ALHFAM and MOMCC, and Individual Members of ALHFAM and MOMCC outside the Midwest Region Reciprocal memberships are not currently available to institutional members, or individual members outside the Midwest region. All institutional members, and individual members of ALHFAM outside of the Midwest region who wish to join MOMCC will pay the regular MOMCC membership dues and receive all related benefits including publications.

All institutional members, and individual members of MOMCC outside of the Midwest region who wish to join ALHFAM will pay the regular ALHFAM membership dues and receive all related benefits including publications.

Article IV: Dues

Membership dues for ALHFAM and MOMCC members will be determined by their individual Boards as determined by their bylaws.

Article V: Termination of Membership

The termination of a membership by either organization will result in the termination of the reciprocal membership. Termination of a membership in one organization does not inherently preclude membership in the other, but the organizations reserve the right to deny reciprocal membership in this case.

Article VI: Publications

Section 1: ALHFAM Members in MOMCC

ALHFAM members receiving reciprocal membership in MOMCC may request a subscription to the MOMP Magazine. The price of the subscription will be determined by the MOMP board.

Section 2: MOMP Members in ALHFAM

MOMP members receiving reciprocal membership to ALHFAM may request A subscription to the ALHFAM Bulletin. The price of the subscription will be determined by the ALHFAM board.

Section 3: Reciprocal Electronic Publications

Within two years of acceptance of this proposal, ALHFAM and MOMP members shall receive online access to electronic versions of both the ALHFAM Bulletin and MOMP Magazine.

Article VII: Regional Representatives

Section 1: MOMP Representative to ALHFAM

The President of MOMP shall be the official representative of MOMP. The President of MOMP or his/her appointed representative shall represent MOMP at ALHFAM regional meetings held during the ALHFAM Annual Meeting/Conference.

Section 2: ALHFAM Representative to MOMP

The Vice-President of ALHFAM, as chairperson of the Committee on Regional Networking, shall be the representative of ALHFAM to MOMCC. The Vice-President of ALHFAM or his/her appointed representative shall represent ALHFAM at MOMCC conferences.

Article VIII: Finances

As required by Article 11, Section 2, of the ALHFAM bylaws, MOMCC will submit a financial report to the Vice-President of ALHFAM twice a year. Submission of a financial report does not preclude the autonomy of the organization.

Article IX: Election of Officers and Directors

Individuals elected to the Board of Directors of either organization must hold an individual membership in that organization regardless of reciprocal membership.

Article X: Review Requirements of Compact

The articles of the Compact will be reviewed and evaluated annually by the ALHFAM Board of Directors and MOMCC Board of Directors. Subsequent to annual board reviews, the executive committees of ALHFAM and MOMCC shall meet jointly (by meeting or conference call) to review, amend, or revise the compact as necessary.

Article XI: Dissolution

Should ALHFAM or MOMCC determine that this compact be dissolved, the Board of Directors of the association initiating dissolution must notify the President of the other association of its intent in writing. The Board of Directors receiving notice will have 60 days to respond. After 90 days from sending notice, either association may dissolve the compact in accordance with the procedure it has established for this decision.