

Coolidge Standing Committee
Monday December 6, 2021
4 PM
Online

Pursuant to Governor Baker's **Emergency Order** Modifying the State's Open Meeting Law issued March 12, 2020, this meeting will be held using remote participation.

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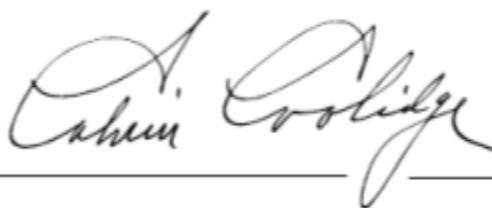
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Agenda

1. Public comments
2. Annual business meeting of the Coolidge Standing Committee
 - a. Summary of activities of October 2020-November 2021
3. Approve minutes of October meeting
4. Archivist's report (Julie)
5. COVID-19 updates
6. Subcommittee Reports
 - a. Nominating Committee (Russell)
 - b. Marketing & Communications Committee
 - c. Programming Committee (Bill)
7. Other Business



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2. November minutes

3. Archivist's Report

Coolidge in the News

[New Children's book on Will Rogers Visit to the White House](#)

[White House Historical Association article on Coolidge and Native Americans](#)

Coolidge began the tradition of a White House Christmas tree and it has been mentioned in many news articles and broadcasts this week. We submitted photos to AP and NBC

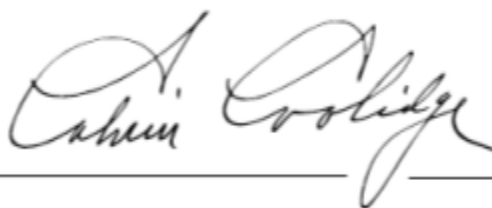
More info on this topic from [National Park Service](#) and White House Historical Association

Upcoming events

4. Re-opening/COVID-19 updates

5. Subcommittee Reports

a. Nominating Committee- Russell



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No meetings were held

The nominating committee is seeking a new committee secretary for 2022

b. Marketing & Communications Committee-Lisa

c. Programming Committee- Bill

Presidents Book group

We will take December off and discuss Harding in January and Coolidge in February.

d. Historian in Residence program

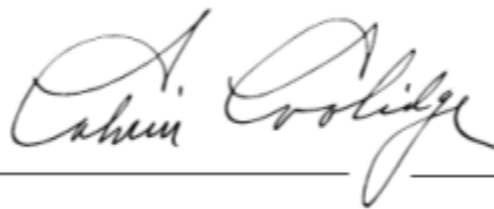
This series will replace the writer in residence program for academic year 2022-2023. Focus would be highlighting materials and subjects in Forbes Library Special Collections. Committee is Julie, Dylan, Faith and Rob Weir.

e. Native American relations

We are forming a group to discuss and work on museum decolonization and reparative language in cataloging and exhibition labels centered around our stewardship of objects gifted to Coolidge by Native American tribes. For more on this topic- one Museum professional that has guided others in this process and Julie has taken training from is Cinnamon Catlin-Legutko, the [AAM leader of the Decolonize our museums movement](#). She did amazing work in Maine at the Abbe Museum and is now at Illinois State Museum.

[Her Ted talk](#)

[A panel on decolonizing museum practice](#)



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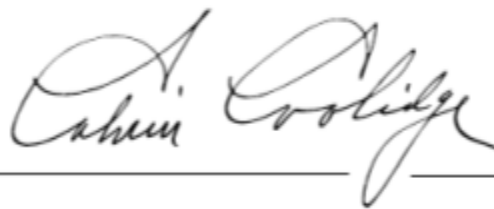
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[Society of American Archivists Native American Archives Section \(SAA-NAAS\)](#) has been leading great work in [Reparative Description](#). A staff group is working on examining our controlled vocabularies in cataloging records to make changes and context notes. We have been looking at similar projects at other institutions and will soon be looking to welcome community input into this process.

Other business

2022 meeting dates



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