

2010-2011 SSSP Board of Directors Minutes
Sunday, August 15, 2010

ITEM #1 – CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Called to Order by President A. Javier Treviño.

ITEM #2 – INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present:

A. Javier Treviño, President
JoAnn Miller, Past President
Wendy Simonds, President Elect
Carolyn C. Perrucci, Vice President
Wendy Chapkis, Vice President Elect
Glenn W. Muschert, Secretary
Susan M. Carlson, Treasurer
Stephani Williams, Chairperson, Council of the Special Problems Divisions
Sarah Jane Brubaker, Board Member
Valerie Leiter, Board Member
Nancy Mezey, Board Member/Chair of Nominations Strategy Committee
Claire Renzetti, Board Member/Chair of the Editorial and Publications Committee
Barbara Katz Rothman, Board Member
Louis Edgar Esparza, Student Board Representative
Mandy Frake-Mistak, Student Board Representative
Ted Chiricos, Editor, *Social Problems*
Héctor Delgado, Executive Officer
Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer and Meeting Manager

ITEM #3 – ADOPTION (REVISION) OF AGENDA

The agenda was revised to include unfinished business from the Friday, August 13, 2010 board meeting.

ITEM #4 – REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF COUNCIL OF SPECIAL PROBLEMS DIVISIONS (INCLUDING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2011 GENERAL ELECTION)

Stephani Williams presented the sentiments of the Council of Special Problems Divisions. The chairs had few particular concerns, though the chair of chairs noted that half of the division chairs are not fulfilling the minimum requirements associated with the role.

Stephani Williams presented the slate of nominations for the 2011 general election. The board discussed the nominations, and will forward recommendations regarding these names to the administrative office.

ITEM #5 – NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARY AND TREASURER

Led by A. Javier Treviño, the board identified candidates. Susan M. Carlson agreed to serve an additional term as Treasurer and Glenn W. Muschert agreed to serve an additional term as Secretary, if elected.

ITEM #6 – REPORT FROM THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Louis Edgar Esparza and Mandy Frake-Mistak presented the report from the SSSP student members. The report focused on the use of technology, student recruitment, the scheduling of student meetings/receptions, and the formation of by-laws for the student group and a handbook for new student representatives. The board accepted the report as given.

ITEM #7 – REPORT FROM THE EDITORIAL AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR

Claire Renzetti presented the activities of the editorial and publications committee. The activities of the committee included the selection of a new editor for *Social Problems*, and the selection of a new editor for *Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter*.

The board accepted the committee report as submitted, with the exception specified below.

ACTION: The board accepted the committee's recommendation that Dr. Becky Pettit be named the next editor of *Social Problems*.

ACTION: The board accepted the committee's recommendation that Dr. Brent Teasdale be named the next editor of *Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter*.

The board recognized the committee's recommendation to move *Social Problems Forum: The SSSP Newsletter* to an electronic-only option, and noted that this decision has already been affirmed in an earlier board meeting this year. The committee reported on the discussion related to the development of a policy-based social problems and public policy.

ACTION: The board did not approve the motion to form an ad hoc committee to explore the viability for development of a new, policy-focused SSSP journal.

a. PROPOSED 2010-2011 ADVISORY EDITORS

Ted Chiricos presented the proposed 2010-2011 advisory board for *Social Problems*.

ACTION: The board accepted the advisory board as presented.

ITEM #8 – PRESENTATION OF THE 2011 PROPOSED BUDGET

Stephani Williams presented the actions of the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee.

The committee discussed IT expenditures, the approval of the \$2500 budget line for disability accessibility services, and the delayed increase in the Lee Scholar-Activist fund. The committee projects a \$42K projected deficit for the 2011 calendar year.

ACTION: The board accepted the 2011 proposed budget as presented.

ITEM #9 – REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES CHAIR

Lloyd Klein reported on the committee's activities, highlighting the committee's recommendations.

ACTION: The board approved the recommendations of the committee, as amended in the board's discussion.

ITEM #10 – DISCUSSION OF BUSINESS MEETING REFERRALS AND MOTIONS

No business was reported for this agenda item.

ITEM #11 – DISCUSSION OF RESOLUTIONS APPROVED AT THE BUSINESS MEETING

Michele Koontz reported on the resolutions process. In the August 14, 2010 business meeting, resolutions 1, 3, and 5 were accepted, while resolutions 2 and 4 were tabled for further clarification. The administrative office will work with the Executive Officer to disseminate the resolutions as described in each approved resolution.

ITEM #12 – UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM 2010

a. REPORT OF NOMINATIONS STRATEGY COMMITTEE

Nancy Mezey gave the discussion of nominations strategy committee recommendations. The board approved the report, with a June 15th deadline for nominations. In specific, the board adopted the following actions, recommended by the committee.

ACTION: The board approved the dissolution of the Ad Hoc Nominations Strategy Committee, to be replaced by a new permanent Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee will be comprised of the Chairperson of the Council of the Special Problems Divisions, three to five Division Chairs, and a member of the Board of Directors nominated by the SSSP President. The Chairperson of the Council of the Special Problems Divisions will serve as Chair.

ACTION: The board approved that the identity of the person who nominates a candidate should not be known.

ACTION: The board approved that the slate of nominees would be forwarded to the Council of Division Chairs, from the administrative office.

ACTION: The board approved the restructuring of the meetings for the Council of Division Chairs and the Nominations Committee during the annual meeting. Meeting one would focus on the Roles and Responsibilities of Division Chairs and the elections to the Nominations Committee. Meeting two would focus on resolutions. At a separate meeting of the Nominations Committee, they will develop a slate of nominees to be presented to the Board prior to the end of the annual meeting.

b. FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION REGARDING THE RETREAT ITEM: INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP.
Héctor Delgado presented on efforts to internationalize the SSSP, one option of which is the establishment of an international fellowship. Various members are exploring these possibilities, and this effort will be an on-going.

c. REPORT FROM THE MEMBERSHIP AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE CHAIR

The board reviewed the committee report.

ACTION: The board voted to include efforts to attract new members in the SSSP's move to on-line only publication.

d. REPORT FROM THE PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AND STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIR

The board reviewed the committee report.

ITEM #13 – NEW BUSINESS

a. REQUEST FROM THE INTERNATIONAL COALITION AGAINST SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Michele Koontz presented on behalf of Jim Gruber. Every other year, we partner with the International Coalition against Sexual Harassment. This partnership will occur at the 2011 annual meetings in Chicago.

ACTION: This request was approved by the board.

b. FUNDING DISABILITIES SERVICES

Valerie Leiter proposed adding an option to donate for disability accommodation services, as part of the membership and annual meeting registration forms.

ACTION: The board approved the addition of a line for disability accommodation services on the membership and annual meeting registration forms.

ITEM #14 – ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2010-2011 BOARD

There being no further business, the board was adjourned by President A. Javier Treviño.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Glenn W. Muschert, SSSP Secretary