ITEM #1 – CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by President Ricardo Dello Buono

ITEM #2 INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present:

Ricardo Dello Buono, President
Anna Maria Santiago, President Elect
Wendy Simonds, Past President
Tracy Dietz, Vice President
Luis Fernandez, Vice President Elect
Glenn W. Muschert, Secretary
Susan M. Carlson, Treasurer
Nancy Mezey, Board Member
Valerie Leiter, Board Member
Stephani Williams, Board Member
Marlese Durr, Board Member
Antwan Jones, Board Member
Phoebe Morgan, Board Member
Ray Michalowski, Board Member
Sarah Hendricks, Board Member, Student Representative
Shannon Monnat, Chair, Council of Special Problems Divisions
Becky Pettit, Editor, Social Problems
Brent Teasdale, Editor, Social Problems Forum
Héctor L. Delgado, Executive Officer
Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer and Meeting Manager

ITEM #3 - ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Agenda adopted as written with one addition:

Item 21.A. was added to UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Discussion of Proposed By-Laws Changes
ITEM #4 – REPORT FROM THE ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE CHAIR

Alexis Bender discussed issues related to accessibility at the Society’s conference. This year expenses for accessibility services were under budget.

**ACTION:** The Board approved a new policy that the President should provide handouts for annual Presidential Address in minimum 16-point font on double-sided paper.

**ACTION:** The Board approved the report of the Accessibility Committee.

ITEM #5 – REPORT FROM THE C. WRIGHT MILLS AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR

Ray Michalowski presented on issues related to the functioning of the C. Wright Mills Award Committee.

**ACTION:** The Board approved the report of the C. Wright Mills Award Committee.

ITEM #6 – REPORT FROM THE ELECTIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR

**ACTION:** The Board approved the report of the Elections Committee.

ITEM #7 – REPORT FROM THE ERWIN O. SMIGEL AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR

**ACTION:** The Board approved the report of the Erwin O. Smigel Committee.

ITEM #8 – REPORT FROM THE JOSEPH B. GITTLER AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR

**ACTION:** The Board approved the report of the Joseph B. Gittler Committee.

ITEM #9 – REPORT FROM THE LEE FOUNDERS AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR

**ACTION:** The Board approved that a detailed letter of nomination be a requirement for any nominee to be considered for the Lee Founders Award.

**ACTION:** The Board approved a motion that all backlogs for all Awards will be eliminated. Moving forward, all nominees for any award must be newly nominated each year, however there is no prohibition on re-nomination of viable candidates who did not win an award in previous years.

**ACTION:** The Board approved the report of the Lee Founders Award Committee.
ITEM #10 – REPORT FROM THE LEE SCHOLAR SUPPORT FUND COMMITTEE CHAIR

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Lee Scholar Support Fund Committee.

ITEM #11 – REPORT FROM THE LEE STUDENT SUPPORT FUND COMMITTEE CHAIR

The Board considered the report of the Lee Student Support Fund.

ACTION: The Board approved that the application and advertisements for the Lee Student Support Fund need to state clearly that students must ensure that they have uploaded supporting materials.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Lee Student Support Fund Committee.

ITEM #12 – REPORT FROM THE MEMBERSHIP AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE CHAIR

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Membership and Outreach Committee.

ITEM #13 – REPORT FROM THE PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AND STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIR

Glenn Goodwin presented the Report of the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee.

ACTION: The Board approved that the Standards and Freedom of Research, Publication, and Teaching Committee be eliminated as a permanent committee.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee.

ITEM #14 – REPORT FROM THE RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITY GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR

Alfonso Latoni presented the report. The on-line system worked effectively.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship Committee.

ITEM #15 – REPORT FROM THE STANDARDS AND FREEDOM OF RESEARCH, PUBLICATION, AND TEACHING COMMITTEE CHAIR

No report was submitted, as there was no committee activity in the previous year.
ITEM #16 – REPORT OF THE THOMAS C. HOOD SOCIAL ACTION AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Thomas C. Hood Social Action Award Committee.

ITEM #17 – REPORT FROM THE LISTSERV MODERATOR

Nancy Mezey presented on the functioning of the listserv.

ACTION: The Board approved that the listserv can allow attachments, with the qualification that the listserv moderator and SSSP webmaster are empowered to assess the appropriateness of setting a maximum file size for attachments.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the listserv moderator.

ITEM #18 – REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COUNCIL OF SPECIAL PROBLEMS DIVISIONS

Shannon Monnat reported on the Committee activities. Further actions, as suggested in the report were tabled for discussion at the Sunday, August 11, 2013 Board meeting.

ACTION: The Board approved the online system for membership would be revised to allow a member to join a Special Problems Division at any time (that is, not simply when becoming a member.)

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Chairperson of the Council of Special Problems Divisions.

ITEM #19 – EDITORIAL AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE’S RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD FOR THE EDITOR OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS.

David Smith presented the results of the Committee’s recommendation for the editor of Social Problems: Pamela Quiroz and Nilda Flores-Gonzalez.

ACTION: The Board accepted the recommendation of the Editorial and Publications Committee for Editor of Social Problems.

ITEM #20 – BOARD DISCUSSION AND SELECTION OF THE 2014-2017 SOCIAL PROBLEMS EDITOR


ACTION: The Board approved Pamela Quiroz and Nilda Flores-Gonzalez as the 2014-2017 Editors of Social Problems.
ITEM #21 – UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM 2013

ITEM 21.A. BY-LAWS PROPOSED CHANGES.

Héctor Delgado proposed a change to the Society By-Laws, related

ACTION: The Board approved that the following wording would be eliminated from ARTICLE IV, SECTION 2 of the Society By-Laws, as follows: “Non-members may be nominated or appointed to such positions provided that they apply for membership, when they accept the nomination or appointment except as noted below in ARTICLE V, Section 1, requiring two years prior membership.” In addition, the Board approved that “may be nominated” will be replaced with “may accept a nomination” in “No person may be nominated for or hold any office, serve on any standing or temporary committee of the Society for the Study of Social Problems or on the Board of Editors of any periodical publication of the Society who is not a member of the Society.” [Note: This change to the By-Laws must be approved by a vote of the Society membership.]

ITEM #22 – NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ITEM #23 – ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2012-2013 BOARD

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Ricardo Dello Buono.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Glenn W. Muschert, SSSP Secretary