ITEM #1 – CALL TO ORDER
Meeting called to order by President Luis A. Fernandez

ITEM #2 – INTRODUCTIONS
Members Present:
Luis A. Fernandez, President
Nancy J. Mezey, President-Elect
Donileen R. Loseke, Past President
David G. Embrick, Vice-President
William Cabin, Vice-President-Elect
Glenn W. Muschert, Secretary
Patrick Donnelly, Treasurer
Fernando I. Rivera, Board Member
Maralee Mayberry, Board Member
Saher Selod, Board Member
Elroi J. Windsor, Board Member
Louis Edgar Esparza, Board Member
Sarah Jane Brubaker, Board Member
Sarah St. John, Board Member, Student Representative
Maria D. Duenas, Board Member, Student Representative
Pamela Anne Quiroz, Editor of Social Problems
Bhoomi K. Thakore, Chairperson, Council of the Divisions
Kristen M. Budd, Chair-Elect, Council of the Divisions
Héctor L. Delgado, Executive Officer
Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer and Meeting Manager

ITEM #3 – ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
There were the following amendments:

1. ITEM #11, REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE TRANSNATIONAL INITIATIVES COMMITTEE carried over from the Friday, 8/11/17 Board meeting, and was added to ITEM #14 – UNFINISHED BUSINESS.
2. ITEM #15, PART E was added to PART #15 – NEW BUSINESS.
   Agenda adopted as amended.

ITEM #4 – REPORT FROM THE EDITORIAL AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR
Corey Dolgon presented the report from the Editorial and Publications Committee. Corey spoke about efforts to bring the journal to an international audience, and regarding the outstanding work of the Social Media Committee. There are two years remaining in the Society’s contract with Oxford University Press, and discussion ensued regarding the future renegotiation of the publication contract.

ACTION: The Board approved the report from the Editorial and Publications Committee Chair.
PART A. PRESENTATION OF THE 2017-2018 ADVISORY EDITORS

Social Problems editor Pamela Anne Quiroz presented the proposed slate of 2017-2018 advisory editors, with two amendments: Kasey Henricks and Claudia López from the Student Advisory Board were moved to the Advisory Board.

ACTION: The Board approved the Proposed 2017-2018 Advisory Editors for Social Problems, with the following amendments: that Kasey Henricks and Claudia López were moved from the Student Advisory Board to the Advisory Board.

ITEM #5 – PRESENTATION OF THE 2018 PROPOSED BUDGET BY THE BUDGET, FINANCE, AND AUDIT COMMITTEE CHAIR

Lauren Eastwood presented the 2018 Proposed Budget. Discussion ensued.

ACTION: The Board grants, if necessary, that the Administrative Office may delay the implementation of the electronic application system for the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Fellowship.

ACTION: The Board approved the 2018 proposed budget.

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

Sarah St. John and Maria D. Duenas presented the report from the Student Representatives of the Board of Directors, including attendance at various graduate student events and meetings.

ACTION: The Board approved the report from the Student Representatives of the Board of Directors

ITEM #7 – REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COUNCIL OF THE DIVISIONS

Bhoomi K. Thakore presented the report of the Council of the Divisions.

PART A – SUMMARY OF DIVISION ACTIVITIES, 2016-2017

Bhoomi clarified the division actions. One division chair had to resign, and an emergency election will begin in September 2017. During the interim, the Chair of the Council of Divisions will oversee and support the affected division.

PART B – CONCERNS OF THE DIVISIONS

Bhoomi clarified the concerns of the division chairs, informing the Board of all comments/issues brought forward by division chairs.

ACTION: The Board asked the Administrative Officer to work with the Chair of the Council of Division Chairs to find a suitable location in the 2018 program to advertise the Drinking and Drugs Division’s reception.

ACTION: The Board requested that the Executive Officer be available if Division Chairs request a letter of recognition of service, if necessary.
ACTION: The Board approved adding a gender-neutral restroom check to the routine attendance check, and to add an informational posting for the Society’s practice of requiring a gender-neutral restroom to be posted outside the restroom(s) designated as gender-neutral.

PART C – INFORM THE BOARD WHICH TWO DIVISION CHAIRS WILL SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL ACTION FOR THE 2017-2018 TERM

The Chair identified Giovanna Follo (Sport, Leisure, and the Body Division) and Omari Jackson (Racial and Ethnic Minorities Division) to serve on the Committee for Social Action.


Kristen M. Budd will serve as the Chair-Elect of the Council of Divisions, 2017-2018 and take over as the 2018-2021 Chairperson.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Chair of the Council of Divisions.

ITEM #8 – REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES CHAIR

Michele Koontz presented the report from the Committee on Committees on behalf of Sarah Prior.

ACTION: The Board approved the slate of members to serve on Society committees, with one amendment that Cameron T. Whitley is approved to serve on the 2017-2018 Local Arrangements Committee.

ITEM #9 – REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE (INCLUDING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION)

Bhoomi K. Thakore presented the report of the Chair of the Nominations Committee and the Nominations for the 2018 General Election.

ACTION: The Board approved that the General Nominations Form be amended beginning with the 2019 General Election so that the “Other Relevant Experience” box on the application would become a box that pops up as a required field asking “Please describe experiences relevant to the position for which you are nominating” for each position for which a candidate is nominated. This will be included under the ranked section of the nominations form.

ACTION: The Board empowered the By-Laws Committee to review the language on the appropriate level of experience necessary to be nominated to serve on the Editorial and Publications Committee.

ACTION: The Board approved the nominations for the 2018 General Election, as amended.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Chair of the Nominations Committee.
ITEM #10 – APPOINTMENT OF FOUR MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE 2017-2018 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE.

Bhoomi K. Thakore presented the following nominations for the 2017-2018 Nominations Committee: Bhoomi K. Thakore (Chair), Kristen M. Budd (Chair-Elect), Omari Jackson, David Lane, and Stephani Williams.

**ACTION:** The Board referred a recommendation to the By-Laws Committee to make the Nominations Committee a two-year appointment, with a staggered committee composition, with two rotating committee members each year.

**ACTION:** The Board approved the nominations for the 2017-2018 Nominations Committee.

ITEM #11 – NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARY AND TREASURER

**ACTION:** The Board approved Glenn W. Muschert and Susan M. Carlson as nominees as Society Secretary and Treasurer, respectively.

ITEM #12 – DISCUSS ANY BUSINESS MEETING REFERRALS OR MOTIONS

There were no referrals or motions from the 2017 Business Meeting.

ITEM #13 – DISCUSSION OF RESOLUTIONS APPROVED AT THE BUSINESS MEETING (INCLUDING DISPOSITION)

Past Vice-President Valerie Leiter presented the five resolutions approved at the 2017 Business Meeting.

**ACTION:** The Board affirmed the resolutions approved by Society Membership.

ITEM #14 – UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM 2017

PART A: PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE TRANSNATIONAL INITIATIVES COMMITTEE

Héctor L. Delgado presented the report of the Chair of the Transnational Initiatives Committee.

**ACTION:** The Board approved adding a non-voting graduate student member for a one-year term to serve on the Transnational Initiatives Committee. This was referred to the By-Laws Committee.

**ACTION:** The Board approved the report of the Transnational Initiatives Committee Chair.

ITEM #15 – NEW BUSINESS

PART A: REQUEST FROM THE COMMUNITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

**ACTION:** The Board approved the Community Research and Development Division’s request for meeting space on August 13, 2018 for a one-day workshop.
PART B: REQUEST FROM THE INSTITUTIONAL ETHNOGRAPHY DIVISION

ACTION: The Board approved the Institutional Ethnography Division’s request for meeting space on August 13, 2018 for a one-day workshop.

PART C: REQUEST FROM PRESIDENT LUIS A. FERNANDEZ FOR A WORKSHOP IN PHILADELPHIA

ACTION: The Board approved President Luis A. Fernandez’s request for meeting space on August 13, 2018 for a one-day workshop.

PART D: REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR THE 2018 SEXUALITIES PRECONFERENCE

ACTION: The Board approved a request for $500 funding to support a two-day 2018 Sexualities Preconference, stipulating co-sponsorship of sessions.

PART E: CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA

ACTION: The Board tasked the Executive Officer and Vice-President to draft a statement on behalf of the Society on the attacks on 8/12/17 in Charlottesville.

ITEM #16 – ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2017-2018 BOARD

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Luis A. Fernandez.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Glenn W. Muschert, SSSP Secretary