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
David G. Embrick, Vice-President
William Cabin, Vice-President-Elect
Glenn W. Muschert, Secretary
Susan M. Carlson, Incoming Treasurer
Maralee Mayberry, Board Member
Saher Selod, Board Member
Elroi J. Windsor, Board Member
Claire M. Renzetti, Board Member
Louis Edgar Esparza, Board Member
Fernando I. Rivera, Board Member
Sarah Jane Brubaker, Board Member
Maria D. Duenas, Board Member, Student Representative
Sarah A. St. John, Board Member, Student Representative
Annulla Linders, Editor, Social Problems
Bhoomi K. Thakore, Chairperson, Council of the Divisions
Kristen M. Budd, Chairperson-Elect, Council of the Divisions
Héctor L. Delgado, Executive Officer
Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer and Meeting Manager

ITEM #3 – ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Agenda adopted with the addition of ITEM #13, Part B in Unfinished Business: Strategies for Social Action, carried forward from the Thursday, August 9, 2018 Board agenda.

ITEM #4 – COMMITTEE REPORTS WITHOUT ACTION ITEMS
A. Report from the Arlene Kaplan Daniels Paper Award Committee Chair–Raymond J. Michalowski
B. Report from the By-Laws Committee Chair–Valerie Leiter
C. Report from the C. Wright Mills Award Committee Chair–George Lipsitz
D. Report from the Committee on Social Action Chair–David G. Embrick
E. Report from the Erwin O. Smigel Award Committee Chair–Julie A. Mikles-Schluterman
F. Report from the Joseph B. Gittler Award Committee Chair–Anthony A. Peguero
G. Report from the Kathleen S. Lowney Mentoring Award Committee Chair–Jerome Krase
H. Report from the Lee Scholar Support Fund Committee Chair–Jay Borchert
I. Report from the Lee Student Support Fund Committee Chair–Meghan G. McDowell
J. Report from the Membership and Outreach Committee Chair–Chris Wellin
   1. July 2018 Dues by Membership Year Report
   2. July 2018 Divisions by Membership Year Report
   3. 2018 Promotion Report

K. Report from the Thomas C. Hood Social Action Award Committee Chair–Kathleen A. Asbury

L. Report from the Ad Hoc Committee: Justice 21 Committee Chair–Glenn W. Muschert

M. Report from the Ad Hoc Committee: Research Review Committee Chair–Valerie Leiter

ACTION: As a single vote, the Board approved the Committee Reports without Action Items.

ITEM #5 – NO REPORT FROM THE ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE CHAIR–Dana M. Greene

ITEM #6 – REPORT FROM THE DORIS WILKINSON FACULTY LEADERSHIP AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR–Ruth Thompson-Miller

ACTION: The Board approved the report from the Doris Wilkinson Faculty Leadership Award Committee.

ITEM #7 – REPORT FROM THE ELECTIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR
Michele Koontz presented on behalf of Yvonne M. Luna. The Committee was concerned regarding low voter participation in Society and Division elections. Discussion ensues.

ACTION: The Board charged the Elections Committee to conduct a very brief survey of the membership to capture information about low voter participation in Society and Division elections.

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

ITEM #8 – REPORT FROM THE LEE FOUNDERS AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR
Elroi J. Windsor presented the report, which included suggestions for adjustments to the committee.

ACTION: The Board voted to make nominations for the Lee Founders Award eligible for the year of nomination and the two following years, should the nominee not be selected for the Award in the first year.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Lee Founders Award Committee.

ITEM #9 – VERBAL REPORT FROM THE PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AND STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIR
Claire M. Renzetti clarified the activities of the Committee in the past year. One issue for the stability of the Society is that we don’t currently have a procedural/operations manual for the functioning of the Administrative Office. The Board suggests that the new full-time position be authorized for the creation and the Administrative Officer be charged with making notes toward the creation of an SSSP procedural manual, if necessary.

ACTION: The Board accepted the verbal report of the Permanent Organization and Strategic Planning Committee Chair.

ITEM #10 – REPORT FROM THE RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITY GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR
Ana Muñiz reported on the Committee functioning and concerns. One set of concerns included eligibility criteria for the award, particularly with regard to racial/ethnic categories and the category of sex.
ACTION: The Board approved the elimination of the budget requirement for application of the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Fellowship.

ACTION: The Board approved changing the sex category on the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Fellowship’s application to be consistent with the categories for sex/gender identification appearing on the SSSP’s application for membership.

ACTION: In the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Fellowship application, the Board approved the removal of reference to U.S. Census categories, and the recognition of an Arab/Middle Eastern/North African category.

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

ITEM #11 – REPORT FROM THE TRANSNATIONAL INITIATIVES COMMITTEE CHAIR

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

ITEM #12 – REPORT FROM THE LISTSERV MODERATOR–Michele Koontz on behalf of Elizabeth A. East

ACTION: The Board approved Elizabeth A. East as SSSP Listserv moderator for the term for the 2018-2020.

ITEM #13 – UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM 2018–LUIS A. FERNANDEZ

PART A. Creation of a New SSSP Award: SSSP Award for Media Narratives about Social Problems–Gillian “Jill” Niebrugge-Brantley

This item was tabled, for further discussion at the Sunday, August 12, 2018 Board meeting.

PART B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEM Strategies for Social Action, carried forward, and formerly ITEM #14, PART A, on the Thursday, August 9, 2018 Board agenda.

This item was tabled and rescheduled for discussion during the Sunday, August 12, 2018 Board meeting.

ITEM #14 – NEW BUSINESS
There was no New Business to consider.

ITEM #15 – ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2017-2018 BOARD
There being no further time, the meeting was adjourned by Luis A. Fernandez.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Glenn W. Muschert, SSSP Secretary