

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors, SSSP

FROM: Glenn Muschert, Chair of the Justice 21 Committee

RE: Annual Report of the 2020-21 Justice 21 Committee Chair

Date: July 22, 2021

Committee Composition: Kristen Budd, Heather Dillaway, David C. Lane, Glenn Muschert (chair), Manjusha Nair, Jason A. Smith.

The 2020-21 year has been a very active one for the Justice 21 Committee, as the Committee has:

- 1) Published the volume *Social Problems in the Age of COVID-19: Volume 1 – US Perspectives* (published with Policy Press, August 2020). Volume published in e-book format with complimentary access for Society members.
- 2) Published the volume *Social Problems in the Age of COVID-19: Volume 2 - Global Perspectives* (published with Policy Press, October 2020). Volume published in e-book format with complimentary access for Society members.
- 3) Maintained the partnership with Policy Press for publication of the *Agenda for Social Justice*.
- 4) Recruited two new Committee members, Heather Dillaway and Manjusha Nair. Committee members Robert Perrucci (founding member) and Michelle Christian have stepped down from the committee but remain engaged in an advisory role.
- 5) Plans to produce the 2022 Volume of the Global Agenda for Social Justice are underway. The volume will launch concurrently with the August 2022 annual meeting. The publication will appear in e-book format, for complementary distribution to Society members, and for posting Open Access on the SSSP website.
- 6) The J-21 Committee continues to operate on a zero budget.
- 7) The Justice 21 group is engaged in the process, after two decades as an ad hoc committee, to become an editorial group that reports to the SSSP Editorial and Publications Committee (E&P). As of August 2022, the ad hoc Justice 21 Committee will disband. At that time, the group will become an editorial group under the guidance of E&P.
- 8) Finally, some words of thanks. As Committee Chair, I thank the Committee members past and present for their outstanding service to the Society and public sociology more broadly. The Committee acknowledges the SSSP Administrative Office and the Executive Officer for continued support, including administrative help, logistical assistance, support with the project's Internet presence, and willingness to assist. The J-21 group thanks Victoria Pitman at Policy Press for cooperation and vision. Finally, the J-21 Committee expresses gratitude to the SSSP Board and Society membership for supporting this project.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn W. Muschert, Justice 21 Committee Chair