

2020–2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ZOOM MEETING MINUTES

FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2021 12:00PM – 2:00PM (EDT)

VIRTUAL MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM

ITEM #1. CALL TO ORDER

President Corey Dolgon called the meeting to order at 12:09pm.

ITEM #2. INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present:

Corey Dolgon, President

Noreen Sugrue, President-Elect

Heather M. Dalmage, Past-President

Sarah Jane Brubaker, Vice-President Elect

Glenn W. Muschert, Secretary

Susan Carlson, Treasurer

Yvonne A. Braun, Board Member

Shirley A. Jackson, Board Member

Lauren Eastwood, Board Member

Deborah A. Potter, Board Member

Bhoomi Thakore, Board Member

Melissa Maxey, Board Member, Student Representative

Kristen M. Budd, Chair, Council of the Divisions

Annulla Linders, Editor, *Social Problems*

Kathy Shepherd Stolley, Kathleen S. Lowney Mentoring Award Committee Chair

Anthony A. Peguero, Racial/Ethnic Minority Fellowship Committee Chair

Robert J. Durán, Elections Committee Chair

Héctor L. Delgado, Executive Officer

Michele Koontz, Administrative Officer and Meeting Manager

ITEM #3. ADOPT (REVISE) AGENDA

The Board adopted the agenda with two changes.

ITEM #12. REPORT FROM THE MEMBERSHIP AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE CHAIR, including Parts A through E, moved to **ITEM #4**, Part K, Sub-Parts i through v.

The Board eliminated the following agenda item as unnecessary: **ITEM #17. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM 2021**, Part C. Discuss Letters Coming from the Board of Directors in Particular the “Support of Palestinians and Call for an End to Violence” Letter

ITEM #4. COMMITTEE REPORTS WITHOUT ACTION ITEMS

- Part A. Report from the Anti-Harassment Committee Chair
- Part B. Report from the Arlene Kaplan Daniels Paper Award Committee Chair
- Part C. Report from the By-Laws Committee Chair
- Part D. Report on the Committee on Social Action
- Part E. Report from the Doris Wilkinson Faculty Leadership Award Committee Chair
- Part F. Report from the Elections Committee Chair
- Part G. Report from the Joseph B. Gittler Award Committee Chair
- Part H. Report from the Lee Founders Award Committee Chair
- Part I. Report from the Listserv Moderator
- Part J. Report from the Thomas C. Hood Social Action Award Committee Chair
- Part K. Report from the Erwin O. Smigel Award Committee Chair
- Part L. Report from the Membership and Outreach Committee Chair (moved from ITEM #12, below, to ITEM #4).

Sub-Part i. Dues by Membership Year Report (as of July 21, 2021)

Sub-Part ii. Divisions by Membership Year Report (as of July 21, 2021)

Sub-Part iii. Promotion Report (as of July 21, 2021)

Sub-Part iv. 2007–2021 Comparison Membership Report (as of July 21, 2021)

Sub-Part v. Membership and Outreach Committee's Blog Proposal (presented to Board during the 2/1 Zoom Board Meeting)

ACTION: In a single vote, the Board approved the committee reports without action items.

ITEM #5. REPORT FROM THE ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE CHAIR-ELECT

The Board noted no report arrived and acknowledged this does not reflect on Chair-Elect Junior R. Hopwood, who graciously assumed the role ahead of schedule.

ITEM #6. REPORT FROM THE C. WRIGHT MILLS AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR

Michele Koontz referred to the recommendation presented in the Committee Report concerning the diversity of the award selection committee. The Board agreed that this is an important issue and considered options to chart the best path forward.

ACTION: The Board charged Executive Officer Héctor Delgado and Melissa F. Weiner to draft policy language concerning committee composition that would reflect best practices for forming representative committee.

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

ITEM #7. REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON MENTORSHIP CHAIR

Bhoomi K. Thakore presented the highlights of the committee report.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Committee on Mentorship.

ITEM #8. REPORT FROM THE ERWIN O. SMIGEL AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR

This report contained no action items, and therefore this item appear above as ITEM #4. COMMITTEE REPORTS WITHOUT ACTION ITEMS, Part K. Report from the Erwin O. Smigel Award Committee Chair.

ITEM #9. REPORT FROM THE KATHLEEN S. LOWNEY MENTORING AWARD COMMITTEE CHAIR

Committee Chair Kathy Shepherd Stolley referred to the recommendations in the report, specifically concerning whether the nominees are required to be SSSP members. Currently, the award criteria are not explicit about this. Discussion ensued regarding the intent of awards and the purpose behind their creation.

ACTION: The Board charged the Ad Hoc Committee on Awards to consider membership requirements for SSSP Awards, particularly but not limited to the Kathleen S. Lowney Mentoring Award and the Doris Wilkinson Faculty Leadership Award.

ACTION: The Board approved the report of the Kathleen S. Lowney Mentoring Award Committee.

ITEM #10. REPORT FROM THE LEE SCHOLAR SUPPORT FUND COMMITTEE CHAIR

The Board noted receiving no report from the committee. Given the virtual format of the 2021 annual meeting, the committee had no responsibilities this year.

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

The Board noted receiving no report from the committee. Given the virtual format of the 2021 annual meeting and the creation of the Committee on Mentorship, the committee had no responsibilities this year.

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

Due to adjustment of the agenda, this Item and Parts became ITEM #4, Part L, including Sub-Parts, above.

Part A. Dues by Membership Year Report (as of July 21, 2021)

Part B. Divisions by Membership Year Report (as of July 21, 2021)

Part C. Promotion Report (as of July 21, 2021)

Part D. 2007–2021 Comparison Membership Report (as of July 21, 2021)

Part E. Membership and Outreach Committee’s Blog Proposal (presented to Board during the 2/1 Zoom Board Meeting)

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

The Board noted that chair Rodney D. Coates has indicated this committee report is forthcoming.

ITEM #14. REPORT FROM THE RACIAL/ETHNIC MINORITY GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR

Committee Chair Anthony A. Peguero presented the highlights of the report. A first concern related to the ability of the committee to provide feedback to applicants and/or provide additional information to submit competitive proposals. A second issue was that some students might be disadvantaged by lack of access to multiple letter writers. Discussion ensued.

ACTION: The Board requested that 2021-2022 SSSP President Noreen Sugrue task the 2022 Program Committee to explore the possibility of offering a session on applying for fellowships and grants.

ACTION: The Board charged the Ad Hoc Committee on Awards to consider the number of letters of recommendations for applications to the Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Fellowship.

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

ITEM #15. COMBINED REPORT FROM THE TRANSNATIONAL INITIATIVES COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS AND THE AD HOC COMMITTEE TRANSNATIONAL VIRTUAL INITIATIVES COMMITTEE CHAIR

The Board considered the report. Some discussion ensued.

The Board tabled discussion, and rescheduled this agenda item for the next Board meeting scheduled for August 11, 2021.

ACTION: The Board approved the reappointment of the Ad hoc TVIC for the 2021-2022 term.

ITEM #16. REPORT FROM THE AD HOC COMMITTEE: JUSTICE 21 COMMITTEE CHAIR

There being no remaining time, the Board rescheduled this agenda Item for the next Board meeting scheduled for August 11, 2021.

ITEM #17. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM 2021–Corey Dolgon

There being no remaining time, the Board rescheduled this agenda Item, including subordinates Part A and Part B, for the next Board meeting on August 11, 2021.

Part A. Membership Recruitment and Retention Issues

Part B. Discuss the Communications Strategy, Planning, and Implementation Proposal

Part C. Discuss Letters Coming from the Board of Directors, in Particular, the “Support of Palestinians and Call for an End to Violence” Letter

As this agenda entry is moot, the Board removed this item from the agenda.

ITEM #18. NEW BUSINESS–Corey Dolgon

There being no remaining time, the Board rescheduled this agenda Item, including Part A, for the next Board meeting scheduled for August 11, 2021.

Part A. Discuss Kauffman Sponsorship Opportunities–Michele Koontz

ITEM #19. ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2020–2021 BOARD

There being a motion to adjourn based on insufficient time, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting. Secretary Glenn Muschert closed the session at 2:04pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Glenn W. Muschert, SSSP Secretary